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## Former Carmel football star now paratrooper in Baghdad

By MARY BROWNFIELD

WHENEVER ED Canadas hears about parents whose sons and daughters are among the troops stationed in the Middle East, he can relate. His son, Ed Canadas III, jumps out of airplanes into enemy territory for a living and has been serving in Iraq since last February.

Born and raised in Carmel Valley, the younger Canadas was an all-league football player at Carmel High School, an all-state linebacker at Monterey Peninsula College and had intended to play at the University of Nevada Las Vegas.

Instead, he joined the Army on April 9, 2002.

"He'd had time to think about 9/11, and it wore on him," his father said. "He wasn't ready to go to college."

Following boot camp in Fort Benning, Ga., Canadas volunteered for airborne school and, after successful training and several jumps, moved to Fort Bragg in August 2002.

The following February, he left for the Middle East as an elite member of the 325th Falcon Brigade of the 82nd Airborne.

"He enjoys being a paratrooper jumping out of planes, because he's kind of a wild and crazy guy anyway," his father said, adding that Canadas has been known to jump off roofs into swimming pools.

With a long history that includes behind-enemy-lines drops into vital WWII battles in Sicily, Normandy and Holland, 82nd Airborne paratroopers specialize in taking airfields, bridges and other strategic strongholds deep in hostile territory.

See **CANADAS** page 21A

## Earthquake sends fire trucks scurrying

■ *Fire station not safe*

By PAUL MILLER

THE 6.5-MAGNITUDE earthquake that rocked San Luis Obispo County Monday morning, collapsing an unreinforced masonry building and crushing two women, sent rolling shock waves through Carmel but caused no significant damage, according to city officials. The most dramatic effect in town was not what the earthquake did but what it might have done to the seismically unsound firehouse on Sixth Avenue. As soon as they realized an earthquake was underway, firefighters moved quickly to ensure their trucks weren't trapped in a damaged or collapsed building.

"The earthquake lasted long enough that there was time to talk about it while it was still going on," said fire chief Sidney Reade, who rode out the quake at the fire station in Carmel Valley where she is also chief. "The vehicles were moving back and forth — it was obvious it was an earthquake."

Before the shaking stopped, she called the Carmel fire house, where an earthquake drill was soon launched.

"The first thing we did was open all the garage doors, because if the building shifted they could be jammed shut," said firefighter Ian Watts.

Firefighters then started moving the entire fleet of emergency vehicles out.

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After the 6.5 earthquake rumbled through town Monday, emergency vehicles lined Sixth Avenue — refugees from the city's fire house which is built of unreinforced concrete and masonry.

## New Year's resolution: REDISCOVER YOUR HOME TOWN

By HILARY HANLON

THE NEW Year brings with it the opportunity to break old routines, and one resolution locals should make this Jan. 1 is to become reacquainted with their home town. Residents may consider themselves familiar with their city, but, in fact, often overlook some of Carmel's most intriguing aspects — specifically, its many hidden courts and passageways.

"Carmel-by-the Sea was originally created as a pedestrian city. All its signage is scaled to the pedestrian and not to the automobile," says Gale Wrausman, owner of Carmel Walks.

Walking from one end of town to the other through its center, you can explore over 60 courtyards, hidden passageways and lanes. Nestled between buildings and off the beaten path, these spaces carry with them a unique history and the bewitching qualities that have defined the city.

"The courtyards and passageways of Carmel really fall into two categories — historic and recent," says Kay Prine, Carmel Heritage board member and long-time resident.

One historic courtyard that clearly reflects the European-Spanish influence of early Carmel is El Paseo Court on the east side of Dolores, just north of Seventh, with its grand archways of stucco, tile roofs dating back to the 1920s, and fanciful sculpture by Jo Mora.

Across from the Carmel Post Office on Dolores is the Del Dono Court containing several art galleries and a print and copy business. This courtyard's stout wooden structure and

modern lines put it in the "recent" column.

"Early in Carmel's history the planning commission attempted to create a sort of Mediterranean theme in the architecture but, in time, what emerged was really a mix of many different styles of building. The eclectic nature of Carmel's buildings and courtyards is a truer reflection of the town's history and the diverse residents that lived there," says Prine.

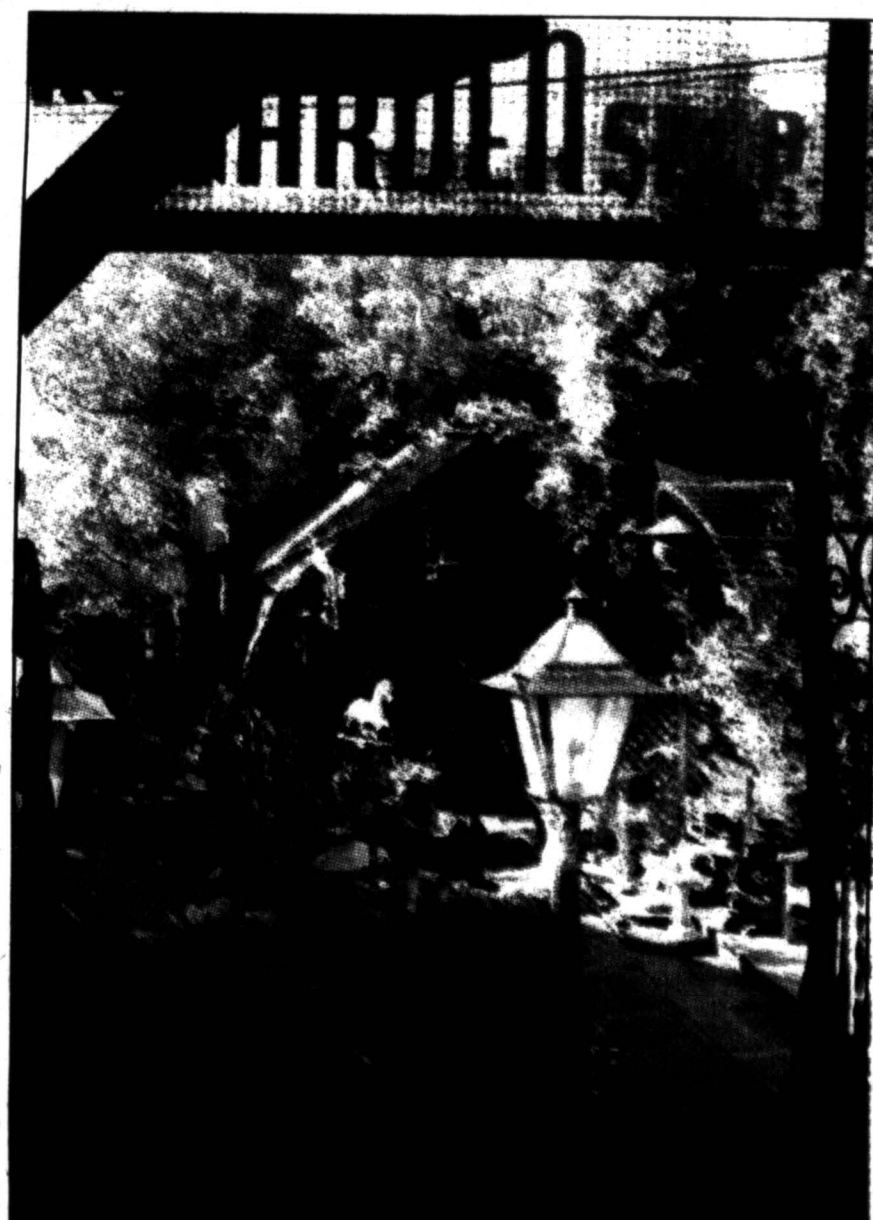
Many of Carmel's passageways and gardens are graced with the wrought iron of Carmel's master blacksmith, Francis Whitaker, whose forge, now the Forge in the Forest Restaurant, was opened in the 1930s. He worked with devotion on hundreds of railings, doorknobs, window guards and gates that are prominent throughout the village today.

"The attractive hand rails along the steps in the Los Tiendas Courtyard on Dolores and Ocean, are his," says Prine.

From behind an impressive wrought iron gate, at the end of a mossy brick pathway, you can spy The Secret Garden Courtyard on San Carlos between Fifth and Sixth. The sounds of trickling fountains and birdsong are your fanciful companions as you make your way down the narrow path toward a specialty garden shop.

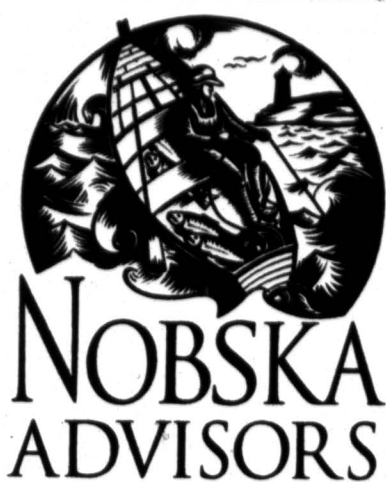
The Red Eagle Trail, considered an historic passageway, connects Mission and San Carlos in the block between Ocean

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One of the spots residents often overlook is this sunny garden shop in the hidden La Rambla Court on the west side of Lincoln between Sixth and Seventh Avenues.





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## Garden club spreads live Christmas cheer

By MARY BROWNFIELD

CONTINUING THEIR annual tradition of bringing holiday spirit into the lives of the ill and homebound, members of the Carmel-by-the-Sea Garden Club decorated and delivered 150 small topiaries and many large arrangements throughout the city and Peninsula.

"They do that every year to provide for people who don't always have a lot of Christmas cheer," said Hospice Home Care program manager Mary Brusuelas. "We really do appreciate it."

Hospice workers gladly accepted the 50 small ivy topiaries adorned with birds, berries and other ornaments Dec. 11 and delivered them to patients and residents in nursing homes, according to Brusuelas.

"A lot of those people are there because they don't have any family anymore and don't have anyone to visit them," she said. "So they love it."

Penney Gaines, director of volunteer and



PHOTO/COURTESY MAUREEN SANDERS

Pebble Beach nonagenarian Nini Muhs (right) put her nimble fingers to work as she and fellow Carmel-by-the-Sea Garden Club member Kate Lach helped decorate more than 150 ivy topiaries for shut-ins and other elderly Peninsula residents.

member services for the Carmel Foundation, said the 60 topiaries it received last week are already in homebound members' rooms, while the 12 larger arrangements adorn tables in the dining room — a touch especially appreciated on Christmas day.

"For some of these people, that's the only holiday decoration they have, and some of them actually keep them all year long," she said. "One of our members had hers from last year in perfect working order."

Gaines said she relishes working in a community where nonprofits take care of each other.

"We appreciate it very, very much, because it's not something we could provide on our own," she said. "We look forward to it every year."

Led by chairwoman Julie Conner, the garden club members who gathered at the Church of the Wayfarer Dec. 11 to decorate the topiaries also donated 31 pieces to Harrison Memorial Library's senior outreach program and sprung for the live tree decorated by children at the Park Branch.

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## Pine Cone denied bid to move to historic motel property

By KIRSTIE WILDE

ALTHOUGH THE majority of the planning commissioners clearly wanted to help The Carmel Pine Cone find a legal way to move its offices to an old motel downtown, the plan failed at a special meeting at city hall Tuesday night.

The newspaper is in escrow to buy the Forest Manor Lodge, a four-unit motel which sits on a small, triangular city block bounded by Ocean Avenue, Mountain View and Torres Street, across from Carmel Plaza shopping center. If the city had given permission for the motel to be converted to offices for The Pine Cone, it would mark the first time since the 1950s that the newspaper would be its own landlord. Publisher Paul Miller said owning a permanent home in Carmel would be important for the long-term health of his business, the oldest in the city.

"Keeping a newspaper in good financial shape is very difficult, especially considering the competition from the Internet and the big newspaper chains," Miller said. "We are trying to guarantee the future of The Pine Cone as an independent voice for Carmel by giving it a permanent home."

Senior planner Brian Roseth, who wrote the staff report for The Pine Cone's proposed move from Mission and Fourth to Ocean and Mountain View, concluded that it could not have a significant negative impact on the environment, and therefore warranted a "negative declaration" under the California Environmental Quality Act. He recommended the planning commission approve a zoning amendment that would make it possible for The Pine Cone to use the motel property, which is in a single-family zone but is virtually surrounded by non-residential property.

An independent traffic study conducted by Higgins Associates concluded that the traffic and parking demands from Pine Cone employees would not be significantly different from those created by current motel guests and staff.

In its application to the city, The Pine Cone traced the history of the property back to its most famous owner, Johan Hagemeyer, a prominent photographer who built a large gallery, studio and retail photography business on the site in 1923. There he captured on film the portraits of Salvador Dali, Albert Einstein, Edward Weston, Robinson Jeffers and many other prominent citizens and visitors to old Carmel. After running his business for a quarter century, Hagemeyer

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*'I think putting The Pine Cone at that spot would be very cool.'*

— Bill Strid

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## Police & Sheriff's Log

### Intoxicated woman wants to be left alone

HERE'S A look at some of the significant calls logged by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department and the Monterey County Sheriff's Office.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Subjects involved in a minor injury accident at Ocean and Mission. Subjects exchanged information.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Brown 1994 Ford Thunderbird towed by Carmel Chevron for blocking a driveway at Dolores and Fifth.

Business owners were prevented from exiting rear parking lot. Unable to contact owner of the vehicle.

**Carmel Valley:** Information taken at Carmel Valley Fire Protection District Mid Valley Station.

**Carmel Valley:** Lost/found/missing person report taken at a Valley Greens Drive address.

**Carmel Valley:** Grand theft from a Carmel Valley Road address.

**Carmel Valley:** Suspicious circumstances

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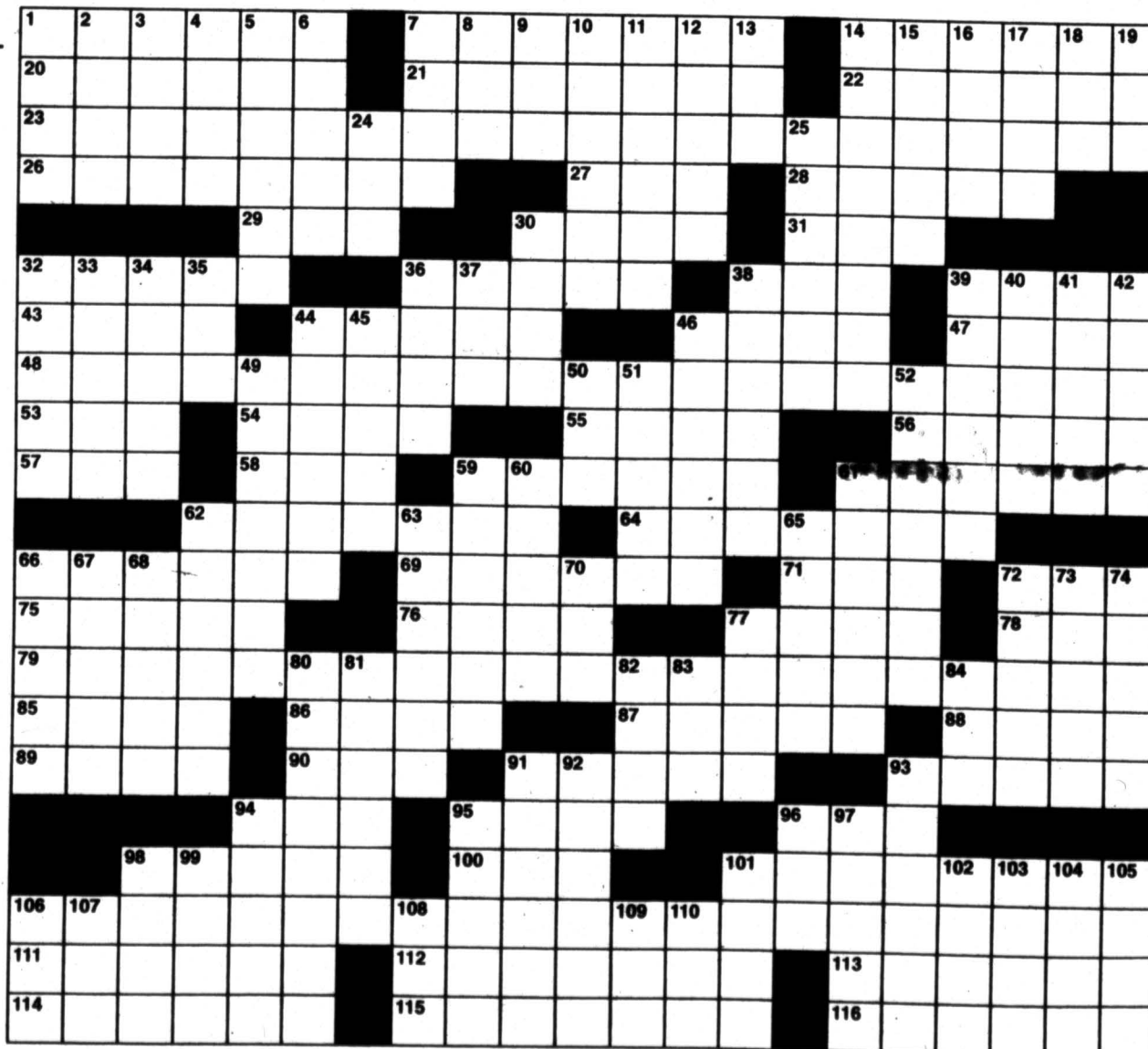
- 1 Select
- 7 "Kojak" star
- 14 When Romeo talks to Juliet on the balcony
- 20 They can dish it out
- 21 Sans sense
- 22 Bit of progress
- 23 Start of a Christmas verse
- 26 Large baskets
- 27 Fleming or Hunter
- 28 \_\_\_ Park
- 29 Meadow
- 30 Fairy tale start
- 31 Downed a sub, say
- 32 Indian council setting
- 36 Like tears
- 38 Watchdog's greeting
- 39 Spill the beans
- 43 Skater's jump
- 44 "Ad \_\_\_ per aspera" (Kansas' motto)
- 46 Indonesian vacation destination
- 47 Fashionable beach resort
- 48 Verse, part 2
- 53 "To the Poets," for one

- 54 The good earth
- 55 Grayish
- 56 Cambodian money
- 57 "\_\_\_ the fields we go"
- 58 Use a wok
- 59 Age following the Stone Age
- 61 "Under the Volcano" star, 1984
- 62 Certain bridge
- 64 Laundry job
- 66 Donnybrooks
- 69 Unspontaneous ones
- 71 "Wheel of Fortune" buy
- 72 What Eng. majors get
- 75 Cousin of a gnu
- 76 Summers on the Seine
- 77 One of the Waughs
- 78 Often-repeated abbr.
- 79 Verse, part 3
- 85 Unwrap, as a gift
- 86 Not manually, after "on"
- 87 Female donkey
- 88 "L' \_\_\_ c'est moi"
- 89 Crimefighter of early '60s TV
- 90 "\_\_\_ Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas"
- 91 Trumpet sound
- 93 Lifeless
- 94 11th-century date

- 95 Grizzly
- 96 Goat-legged god
- 98 Dust busters
- 100 50 Cent piece
- 101 Some wedding embellishments
- 106 End of the verse
- 111 "Later"
- 112 Of the lymph glands
- 113 Undivided
- 114 Nonresident doctor
- 115 Kind of strength
- 116 Sappho's home

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- 1 Sound effect in a western
- 2 "That's hysterical!"
- 3 God who presided over the Aesir
- 4 Actor Ken
- 5 In one's dotage
- 6 Cosmetician Lauder
- 7 Confession recitals
- 8 "\_\_\_ a partridge in a pear tree"
- 9 Winery sight
- 10 Officially designate
- 11 Inheritance
- 12 How Santa travels
- 13 Orchestra: Abbr.
- 14 Touchdown site
- 15 Place to see a Ben Franklin portrait
- 16 Constant
- 17 A huge amount
- 18 Real mouthful
- 19 Some hosp. cases
- 24 Span of time
- 25 Like Santa's visit
- 30 Norwegian king
- 32 Off-limits
- 33 Display
- 34 Pumpkin eater of the nursery
- 35 Yalie
- 36 Hold back
- 37 Neighbor of Scorpius
- 38 Gossip
- 39 Wash whitener
- 40 Table covers
- 41 Confuse
- 42 High-handed
- 44 Ovid's love elegies
- 45 Rural carriages
- 46 Texas river
- 49 Sch. in upstate N.Y.
- 50 Courtroom affirmation
- 51 "Ninotchka" director \_\_\_ Lubitsch
- 52 Part of the Venezuela/Colombia border
- 59 Pie-eyed
- 60 Renaissance fiddle
- 61 Sunday best
- 62 Mortise insertions
- 63 Sugar plums and candy canes
- 65 Claw



- 66 Quark-plus-antiquark particle
- 67 Skip off
- 68 Puts on, as cargo
- 70 Kyrgyz city
- 72 Davis of "Jezebel"
- 73 Battling
- 74 "Ivanhoe" author
- 77 Top-rated
- 80 Settle once and for all
- 81 Elizabethan musician
- 82 Slightly open
- 83 Wagner's "\_\_\_ fliegende Hollander"
- 84 Stimp's TV pal
- 91 Defeated
- 92 Rabbit furs
- 93 Bonkers
- 94 Nondrinker by law
- 95 Mrs. Santa Claus, long ago
- 96 Pea's place
- 97 Dancing giddily
- 98 Drudge of the Internet
- 99 Last of the House of Stuart
- 101 Funny \_\_\_, 2003 Derby winner
- 102 Ship positions
- 103 Smooth-tongued
- 104 Foreign money
- 105 Dates
- 106 Suffix with elephant
- 107 Loser to Harding in 1920
- 108 Like Santa
- 109 "\_\_\_ do not!"
- 110 Part of R.S.V.P.

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## AMR will bid on new contract

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

A SPOKESMAN for AMR, the company that provides ambulance service in most of the Monterey Peninsula, reacted angrily to reports that his company would pull out of the county when the current contract is up at the end of next year.

"We intend to bid on the new contract and continue providing the best ambulance service possible for the people of Monterey County," said Matt Edwards.

He also denied that his company had ever asked for a 98 percent increase in ambulance service prices. "The highest we

ever requested was 88 percent," Edwards said.

After complaints from AMR that it was losing money because of big increases in costs and cuts in reimbursements from Medicare and Medical since it started providing local ambulance service in 1997, the board of supervisors approved a 60 percent increase in the price of an ambulance ride. Beginning next week, it will cost \$1,008 plus \$23.50 a mile to have AMR take you to the hospital.

The Carmel ambulance service is considering a similar rate increase.

## RECYCLE YOUR TREE

AGAIN THIS year, the Monterey Regional Waste Management District will make it easy to keep your Christmas tree out of the landfill.

Free curbside pick-up is available to all residents living in single family homes who have greenwaste service, the MRWMD said.

Trees should be cut into 3-foot lengths and deposited in the yard waste cart which then can be placed at the curb on the regular trash pick-up day.

Don't forget to remove the tree stand and all decorations, tinsel and lights. Flocked trees cannot be recycled.

Or, you can take your tree to the drop-off location at the Forest Theater (Mountain View near Guadalupe) until Jan. 9.

Other drop-off locations open until Jan. 9 include:

■ The Corporation Yard in Pebble Beach (4005 Sunridge)

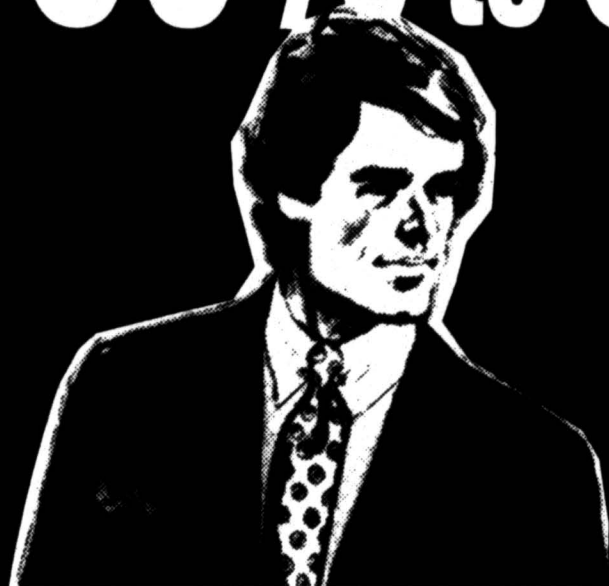
■ Across from the Seaside Post Office (1100 block of Broadway)

■ The MRWMD landfill, two miles north of Marina (14201 Del Monte Blvd.). Limited to three trees per vehicle.

Recycled trees are ground up into mulch and composted, the district said. At the Marina facility, compost made from the mulch is available by the bag or truckload. Prices start at \$4 per bag or \$50 per ton.

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## M I L E S T O N E S

**TRUDY ANNE DEGROAT** died Nov. 3 following a battle with cancer. She was 57.

A native of Ohio, she met her first husband, Keith MacFarlane at Ohio State University. The couple moved to California where she gave birth to her daughter, Wendy. The couple divorced soon after and mother and daughter moved to Mermaid Lane in Pacific Grove, where friends and neighbors referred to her as "Mayor of Mermaid," due to her social and political involvement there.

She graduated from the MPC Police Academy in 1975 but decided that, as a single mother, a safer career would be preferable, so she worked 12 years on the express line at the downtown Monterey Safeway.

Moving to Big Sur in 1988, she married Bill DeGroat, and became stepmother to his children, Erik and Anya. Mrs. DeGroat earned her EMT certification and worked at the Big Sur Health Center as receptionist and managed the front office until 1994. In 1993 she earned her massage certification, and the DeGroats then moved to Carmel Valley and finally back to Pacific Grove.

In 2001 the DeGroats separated, but remained friends. She met her soul mate, Max Coon, the following year.

In addition to her daughter and stepchildren, she is survived by her brother, Nelson Brinkman of North Carolina and four stepgrandchildren.

There will be a **potluck open house celebration of life gathering for Trudy Anne** from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, 2004 at Chautauqua Hall, 16th and Central, Pacific Grove.

**MARIO AMOROSO**, San Francisco Police Department veteran who served on the Del Monte Forest Property Owners Association traffic safety and parking committee until the end of his life, died Nov. 15. He was 75.



A Seattle native who came to San Francisco with his family as a toddler, Mr. Amoroso attended Galileo High School and San Francisco City College. He played trumpet in a swing band and worked as a baker before he began his career with the SFPD as a patrolman in 1952. In 1955 he married his wife of 48 years, Sally Dunne. He was promoted to

deputy chief in 1976 and retired in 1980. Mr. Amoroso's son and nephew followed him in the field of law enforcement. Concurrently with his police career, Mr. Amoroso enlisted in the California National Guard and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army Reserve. He served for 37 years. The couple moved to Burlingame in 1983 and to Pebble Beach in 1999.

Mr. Amoroso is survived by his parents, Salvatore and Doralba; brothers Armond and Frank; wife of 48 years Sally; sons Jack and Andy and daughters Sarah Jane and Sheila; six grandchildren and two great-granddaughters; plus numerous nieces and nephews.

Mr. Amoroso was a member of St. Angela's Catholic Church, the Golden Gate Breakfast Club, S.F. Police Officers

Association, Knights of Columbus, the Retired Military Officers Association and the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

Memorials are suggested to the St. Vincent de Paul Society, Boys and Girls Club of San Francisco or the Animal Friends Rescue Project.

**JOHANNA DOELMAN DIRKSEN**, longtime resident of Carmel-by-the-Sea, died Nov. 18 in Oregon at age 97.

Her life story extended around the world, from her birth in the Netherlands to college graduation in 1929 in Wisconsin, to Brussels, Belgium, where she gave birth to her twin sons, Hans and Frans. With her husband and two boys, she fled from Europe in 1940 to the Dutch East Indies, where the invading Japanese army put the family in an internment camp. Within six months her husband died and in 1944 her sons, age 11, were taken from her to a separate camp, their fate unknown to her.

In 1945 her sons found their mother alive in Camp Lampersarie, but weighing 87 pounds. From Java to Singapore, they journeyed to California, arriving in March 1946 and locating that year in Carmel.

She married Eugene Dirksen in 1963. He died in 1970.

She earned some fame for her many years of early morning walks on Carmel Beach, where she frequently — even in her 80s — dove into the ocean for a few minutes' swim.

She moved to Oregon in 2000 where her care was overseen by her son, Hans.

Mrs. Dirksen is survived by her sons; six grandchildren and four great-granddaughters.

A celebration of her life is planned for next spring in Carmel at the home of her longtime friend, Belinda Vidor Holliday.

Remembrances may be directed to the Carmel Foundation or the SPCA of Monterey County.

**ROSALEE MURPHY GLADNEY**, 89, who with her sister, Kathleen, were the first twins born in Carmel and whose father, M.J. Murphy, was an early developer, builder and lumberyard owner in Carmel, died Nov. 16 at her Carmel Valley home.

As a member of the Carmel Heritage Society, Mrs. Gladney shared her knowledge of local history and was involved in the preservation of Carmel buildings, including the First Murphy House. The business her father founded, Murphy Lumber, remains in the family, being operated by her son, Tom.

Mrs. Gladney is survived by her sons, James of Riverside, Thomas of Carmel Valley and Daniel of Washington; four grandsons; two granddaughters and two great-grandsons. She was preceded in death by her husband, Andrew Gladney in 1993, and her siblings, Patricia Jones and Kathleen and Frank.

Memorials are suggested to the Carmel Valley Volunteers, Box 965, Carmel Valley, CA 93924.

**LOUISE REUTTER WINSTED**, 89, 33-year resident of Carmel, died Nov. 20. She was 89.

Born in St. Joseph, Mo., she met and married Lt. Ray Winsted in 1942. She spent the next 30 years as an active Army wife, moving often as her husband was assigned to Army installations in Europe and the United States. She was an

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active volunteer with the Red Cross, Officers' Wives' Club and community affairs.

Mrs. Winsted was last employed as an executive secretary and was a member of the Church of the Wayfarer and the United Methodist Women. She was also a 23-year volunteer with the Community Hospital Auxiliary.

Mrs. Winsted is survived by her husband of 61 years; her daughters, Linda Trochim of Colorado, Debbie Bartlett of Kansas and Carolyn Zeitler of Cameron Park; son J.R. of Carmel; a sister, Kathryn Earl of Kansas and four grandchildren.

Memorials are suggested to the Church of the Wayfarer in Carmel-by-the-Sea.



**MARGARET G. MASON**, 89, died Nov. 26 at her Carmel home. Born in San Jose, she has lived locally since 1946. She was a member of the Beach and Tennis Club in Pebble Beach.

Mrs. Mason is survived by her brother, Robert Gallagher of San Bruno; her sister, Geraldine Gallagher of Daly City; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Rodney, in 1988.

**FRIEDERIKE FRANCES ADELHEID STRACHWITZ**, 97, a Carmel resident for 40 years, died Nov. 29.

Born in Berlin, she fled from the Russians at the end of World War II, immigrating to Reno, Nev., where she lived for 17 years before coming to Carmel.

Though Mrs. Strachwitz was born in Germany, her mother was a native Californian, her grandfather was a senator from Nevada and her great-grandfather, William Sharon, was a senator from California.

She is survived by her sons, Chris of Berkeley and Hugh of Bonita; daughters Frances of Carmel, Rosy Schlueter of North Carolina, Isabella Ryser of Bonita and Barbara Stewart of Washington; two brothers and three sisters in Europe and seven grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Alexander.

Memorials are suggested to the SPCA of Monterey County.



**HELEN BUEHLER HART**, longtime resident of Carmel Valley Manor, died Dec. 13 at age 102.

She grew up in Oak Park, Ill., and graduated from Northwestern University where she was a member of Alpha Phi Sorority. She lived on Chicago's North Shore before moving to Carmel in 1985.

She is survived by her daughters, Barbara Phillips of Palm Desert and Andrea Biel of Texas; son Richard B. Hart of New York, 10 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to Carmel Valley Manor.



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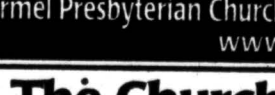
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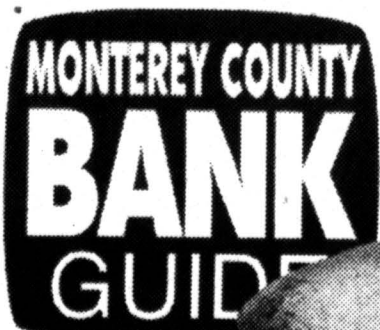
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# PINE CONE

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sold his property and left the city in 1947. The new owner then converted the buildings to a motel which has been renting rooms to tourists for 56 years. The Pine Cone's application pointed out that the property has been in continuous commercial use for all of its 80 years, long before the city drew lines around the town to divide it into residential and commercial zones. But because the tiny block was subsequently included in the R-1 zone, it now requires a change in the law before it can again be used for a small business.

## Warning bells

When Roseth and planner Elizabeth Caraker suggested a zoning amendment to allow limited commercial use of the Forest Manor Lodge, as well as seven other non-residential properties adjacent to the business district which are also zoned R-1, it set off warning bells among several planning commissioners.

Robin Wilson said he thought a much more limited change that would apply only to the Forest Lodge property would be a better solution. "In this case, spot zoning might be the way to go," he said.

"I think putting The Pine Cone at that spot would be very cool," agreed commission chairman Bill Strid. But he wondered if changing the allowed uses on seven different properties should require an Environmental Impact Report and a lot more time and discussion, time The Pine Cone owners said they simply did not have because the close-of-escrow date was looming and they had to have an answer from the city before they could commit to buying the property.

## Negative reaction

During the public hearing on the project, a parade of citizens spoke out against the idea of amending the zoning code to allow any changes in non-residential uses in the R-1 district. The speakers, including Dave Maradei, Jean White, Ken White, Jim Wright, Allan Paterson, Enid Sales, Larry Rodocker, Mike Brown, Melanie Billig and Jerry Holden, didn't have anything good to say about the Carmel Pine Cone or its desire for a permanent home. White was the most pointed, calling the newspaper's request "a stealth application."

"When it's gone you will have a hell of a mess. What should be built on this property is lower cost housing — why hasn't anybody proposed that?" the former mayor said.

In his extensive remarks at the podium, Wright insinuated that there was some kind of corruption in the planning

department which resulted in Roseth's conclusion that the project deserved a "negative declaration" under CEQA.

"The man who was hired to do the traffic study didn't turn in his report until a week after Brian [Roseth] signed the negative declaration," Wright said, implying that it wasn't considered in Roseth's analysis.

Paterson, a former planning commissioner, agreed. "I think the staff analysis is phony. I think this is a bunch of flim-flam," he said.

And Sales, the historic preservation activist, testified that replacing motel guests with newspaper employees would somehow spoil Johan Hagemeyer's historic building. "This is an extremely important historic property," she said. "This zoning change will significantly impact its historic setting." She asked the city to require The Pine Cone to prepare an EIR to move its business four blocks.

Roseth responded that he didn't see how merely changing tenants would affect an historic building. And to Wright's accusation, he explained, "In an effort to meet the negative declaration timelines [required by state law], we hired an outside parking firm to do the

analysis. We had an administrative draft that was all but final and based the negative declaration on that." He said there were no substantive changes in the official copy formally presented to the city a few days later.

After the commission voted unanimously to continue the discussion at a later meeting to give staff time to re-craft the proposal, Miller thanked them for their thoughtful consideration. Later he said the idea of moving The Pine Cone offices to the former studios of Johan Hagemeyer was dead.

"We'll have to drop it. We just don't have the time or the money to fight a drawn-out battle," Miller said. "Even if we came up with an amendment palatable to the commissioners, I'm pretty sure there were people in this audience just waiting to go to court to stop us. It's a shame they have so little regard for the problems of running a small business, even one as important as The Pine Cone."

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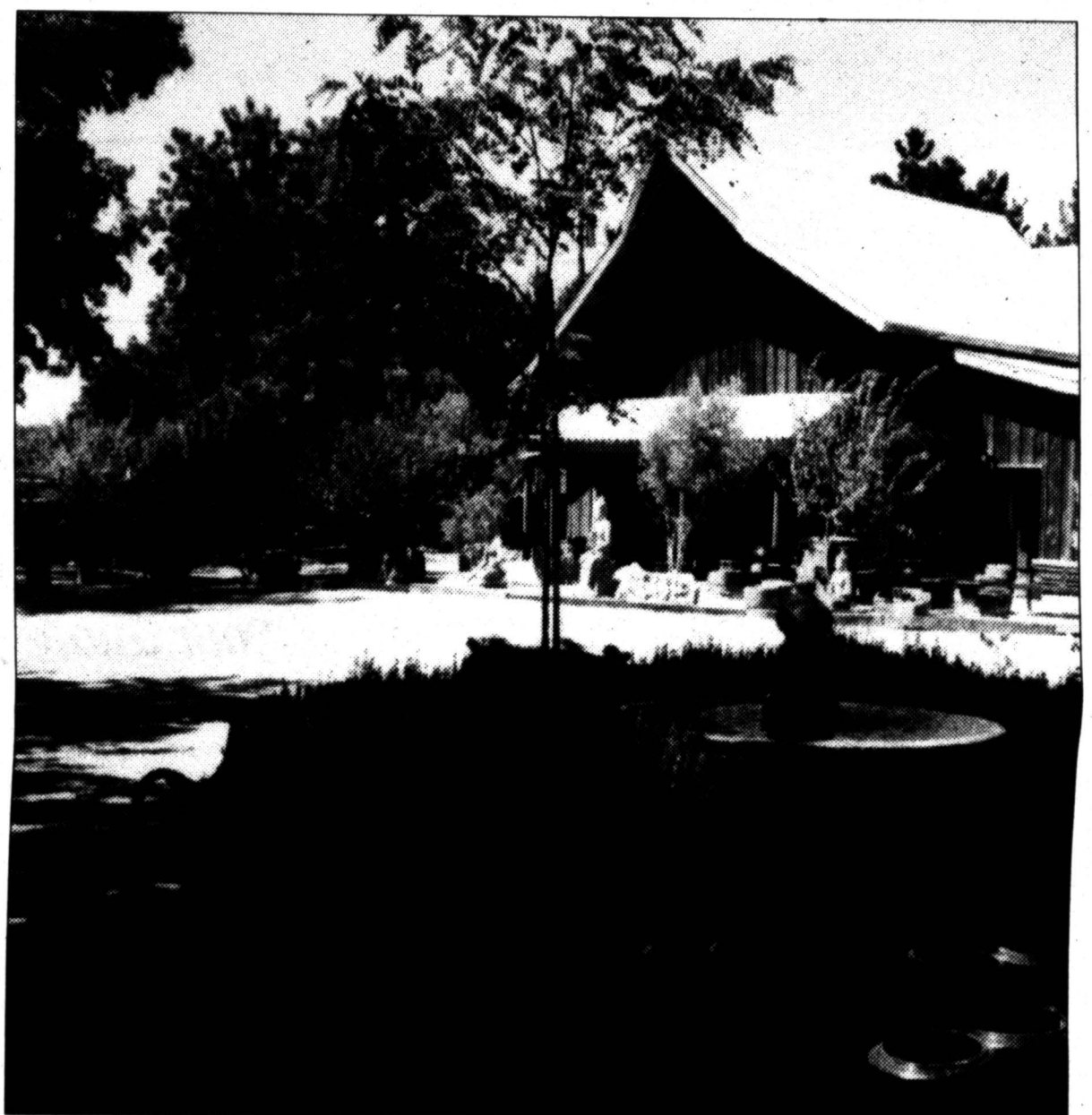
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By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

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Johnson, a leading figure in the Carmel art world, was known for her wildflower watercolors painted on Japanese rice paper. These are part of the permanent collection of Harrison Memorial Library, and will be on display from Jan. 26 through March 14. A reception is planned to open the exhibit from 2 to 4 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 26 at the Park Branch of Harrison Memorial Library, Sixth

Avenue at Mission, Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Lectures to follow at Park Branch include, "Enterprising Women: Anne Nash and Dorothy Bassett," presented by Lani Fremier on Feb. 23; "Voices from Beneath the Floor: Carmel and the Origins of California" by Sandy Lydon on March 29; "Santiago Duckworth and the Catholic Resort" by Brother Larry Scrivani on April 26; and "Indians & Archaeology of the Monterey Bay Area" by Gary Breschini, which will be held in Carpenter Hall, Sunset Center.

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# CARMEL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE • 624-2522 • January 2004

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE By Tom Williams, CCC President

### It's Your Turn Now

With the coming of the New Year we at the Chamber are happy to see our efforts over the past year continue to reap rewards for all of the membership. We saw the largest increase in our membership and the greatest retention of members since the founding of the organization. Participation in both mixers and ribbon cuttings continues to make these events one of the great networking resources for members and their guests. The Green Ribbon of Excellence Awards Dinner, which recognized the very high quality of our member businesses, was a sell out and a fabulous party to boot. The board of directors, introduced by Larry Hoover in last month's newsletter, is excited about the coming year and the opportunities that exist for expansion of our membership and "sphere of influence".

We are very excited about the prospect of expansion into areas which have long been considered beyond our scope or in direct conflict with past destination marketing plans. The jewels of the peninsula, Carmel-by-the-Sea, Carmel Valley, Big Sur and Pebble Beach are obvious partners of the Carmel Chamber of Commerce. This is where you, the member, can contribute in a big way. Bring along a business from one of the jewels to the next mixer or ribbon cutting. Introduce them to other members and show them how very vital our membership is and how very committed it is to the business environment not only in Carmel but also in the area as a whole. The draw to our community has always been more than one city or one beach. Each of our jewels offers an astounding array of business, lodging and restaurant opportunities. Our ability to attract and entertain tourists must include our sphere of influence if we expect to continue to enjoy our unparalleled position in the world of travel and tourism.

I look forward to the coming year and am so happy I have a board of directors willing to accept the challenges of leadership. They are also willing to help each other and help our membership to achieve the goal of expanded membership and participation. I appreciate the opportunity to serve this year as president of the Carmel Chamber of Commerce. I am honored and humbled by your trust and support. Thank you.

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## Calendar of EVENTS January 2004

- 01/01 Annual Rio Grill Resolution Run; Carmel 6-8 mile run; 644-2427
- 01/01 Carmel Chamber of Commerce, office closed
- 01/01-02/30 Artist of the Month, Phil Hartman; Carmel Foundation; 624-1588
- 01/07 "Next Step in the War of Terror", Carmel Foundation, Diment Hall; 624-1588
- 01/09 "How Do You Want to be Remembered?", presented by Paul Mortuary, Carmel Foundation, 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.; 624-1588
- 01/12 & 14 Standard First Aid, American Red Cross; 624-6921
- 01/13 General Membership Meeting, Carmel Chamber of Commerce, 7:45 a.m. La Playa Hotel, Carmel Room, RSVP: 624-2522
- 01/14 "Green Leaves Afloat: Poems and Parables", Carmel Foundation; 624-1588
- 01/16-2/22 Henry IV, CET/SPRC; 624-1531
- 01/18-19 Monterey Symphony Concert III, Carmel Sunset Center; 624-8511
- 01/20 A Village Affair, Bernardus Lodge; 659-5099
- 01/21 "A Grand Tour of Israel", Carmel Foundation; 624-1588
- 01/22 Performance Carmel, Peking Acrobats, Sunset Center; 624-8511
- 01/23 Bruce Lamontt Lecture, Mozart Society, Sunset Center; 624-8511
- 01/24 Standard First Aid, American Red Cross; 624-6921
- 01/28 Arnaldo Cohen, Piano Concert, Carmel Music Society; Sunset Center; 624-8511
- 01/28 "Given Enough Time and Money, We Can Do Anything!", Carmel Foundation; 624-1588
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LEFT: Jan Wagstaff of the Carmel Art Association accepts the Pitcher of Prosperity for the Business of the Year from CCC President Larry Hoover at the Green Ribbon of Excellence Awards Dinner



LEFT: The Gem ribbon cutting L-R: Larry Hoover, Monta Potter, Jackie Gash, Lilian, Michelle & Harry Leleh, Kendra Gash and Josh Leleh (owners of The Gem) and Gerard Rose

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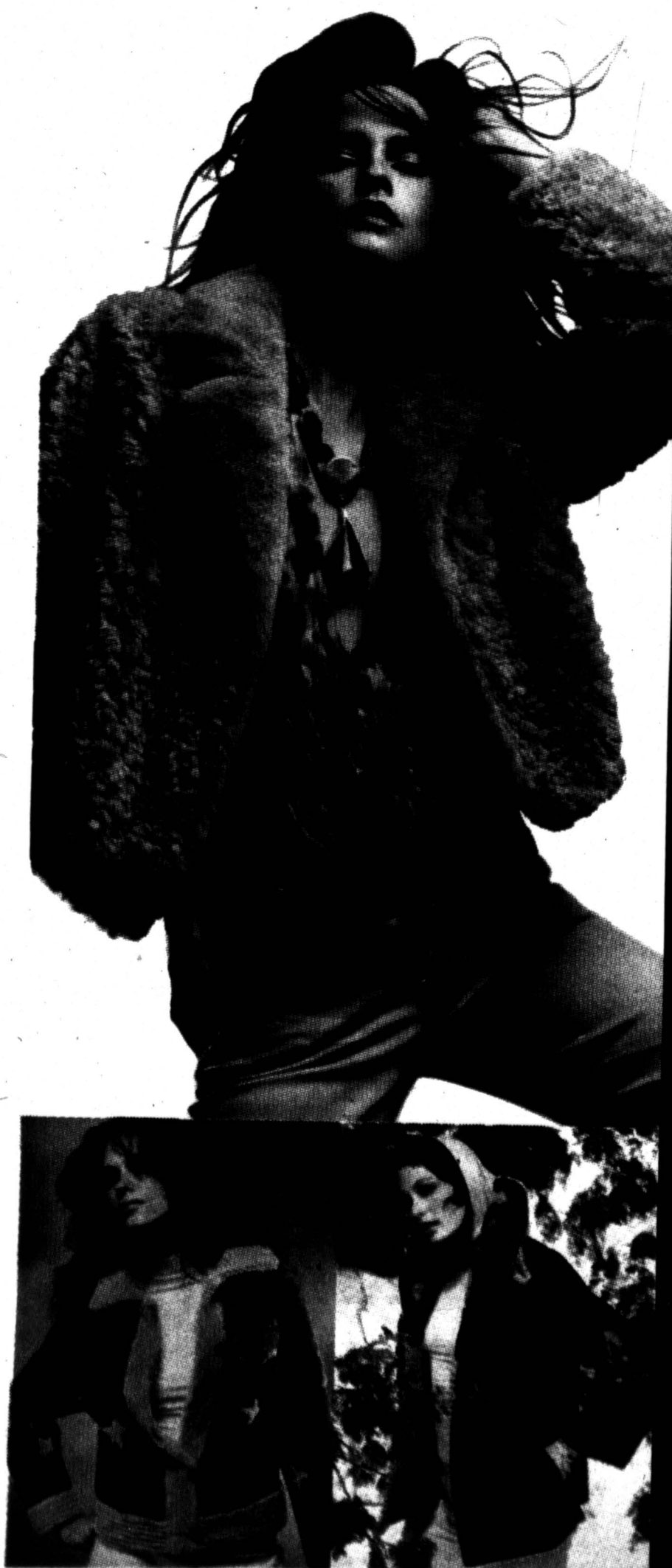
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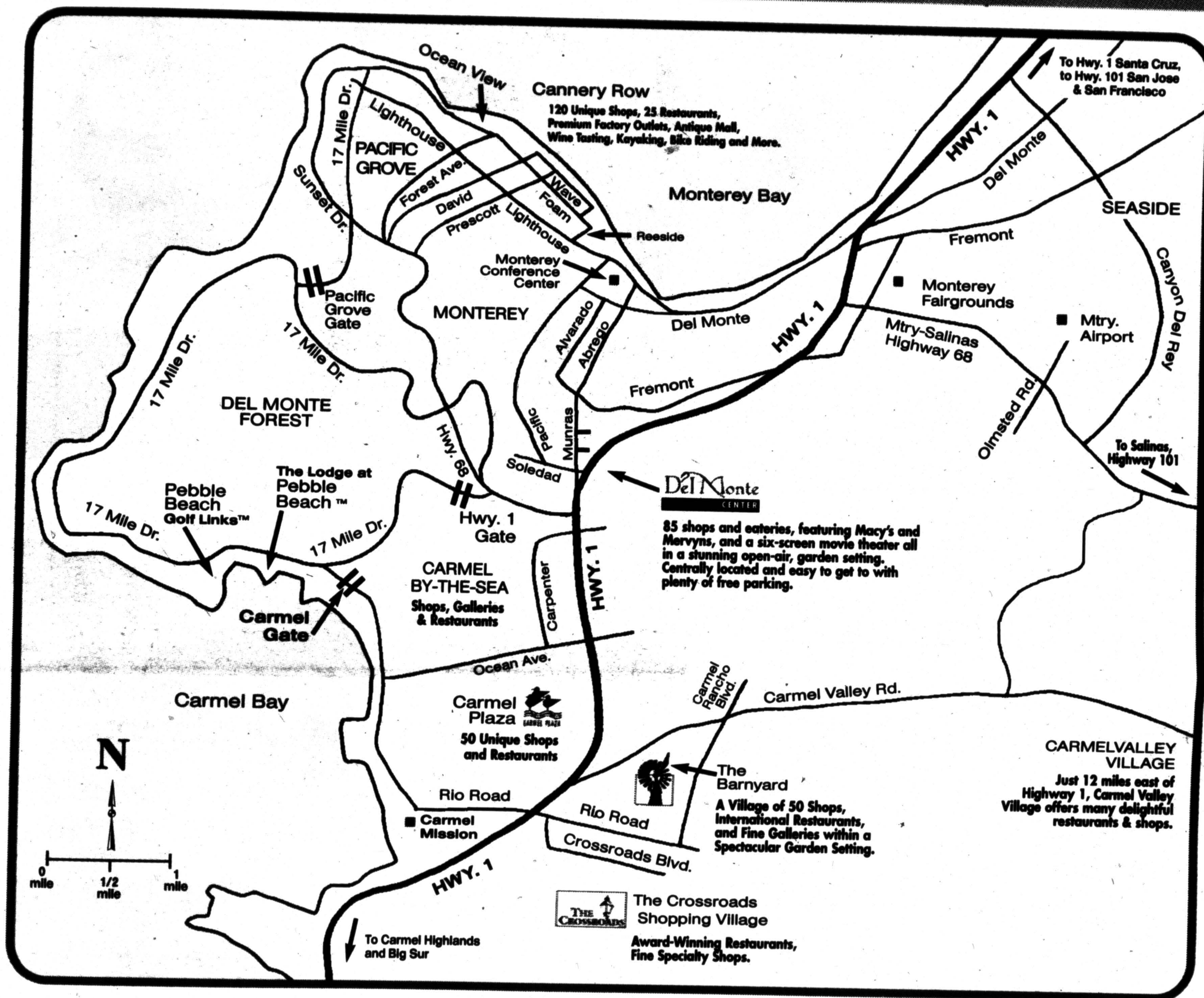




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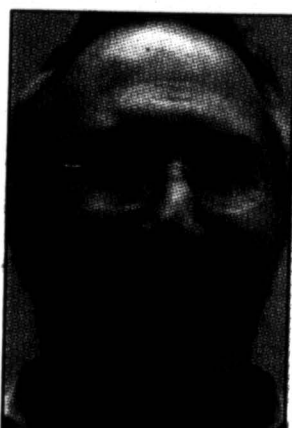
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Fandango .....17A  
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Mariscos .....20A

## 'Young turks' take their turn at Jazz & Blues Co.

THE JAZZ & Blues Company presents a special "Home for the Holidays" concert Saturday evening (Dec. 27) featuring young local jazz musicians **Danny and Andrew McKay** on guitars plus **Ross Garren** on piano and harmonica. The trio first met while in grade school in Carmel and through the years the "young turks" have fostered a musical relationship that has developed into a unique trio.



**Plugged In**

By **Stephen L. Vagnini**

The McKay brothers, perhaps best known for their work with the Blue Tones, have performed at five Monterey Bay Blues Festivals plus at prestigious clubs throughout the United States. Chris, 17, attends Robert Louis Stevenson and 18-year-old Andrew is a student at the University of Southern California's Thornton School of Music, along with Garren.

Garren, who like the McKays attended RLS, was awarded the 2002 ASCAP Young Composer Award for his composition "Smithomaniacs," a tune written for his compositional mentor, Biff Smith, a teacher at RLS and Berklee School of Music. The concert starts at 7:30 p.m. Call 624-

6431 for reservations and details.

The **Chicano All Stars**, quickly becoming one of the most popular bands on the Monterey Peninsula, perform at Sly McFly's on Cannery Row Friday night, Dec. 26. Led by frontman **Sam Martinez**, the All Stars specialize in Latin grooves with a heavy dose of Carlos Santana.

Saturday night, guitar prodigy **Corby Yates** returns to

Sly's for his first Monterey club appearance in a couple of years. Yates, now 22, was hailed as a young "Mozart of the blues" when he first exploded onto the Northern California blues scene at the tender age of 14. In 1998 he convincingly won Seattle's Jimi Hendrix Electric Guitar Competition in the 17-and-under category. After receiving a \$25,000 scholarship, a rare prototype Fender Hendrix guitar, and the "Voodoo Chile" award from Al Hendrix, Jimi's father, the event climaxed with an unforgettable jam featuring Corby and Jimi's former Band of Gypsies' bandmates, Buddy Miles and Billy Cox. These days, Corby shows are consistently packed with diverse and enthusiastic audiences. Call 649-8050 for more information.

### First Night Monterey good to go Dec. 31

Despite the departure of long-time executive director Paulette Lynch and of rumors of financial woes, **First Night Monterey** will go on as planned and thankfully so. An alcohol-free, family celebration of art and music, First Night Monterey is one of more than 200 First Night New Year's Eve celebrations throughout the United States and Canada.

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This year's grand finale, which begins at 11:30 p.m. at the

Custom House Plaza will feature the aforementioned **Chicano All Stars**.

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New Year's Eve parties are in abundance throughout the Monterey Peninsula this year and include a gala affair at the Doubletree Hotel in downtown Monterey featuring San Jose party legend **Joe Sharino** and his band.

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By STEPHEN R. HARRIS

THERE IS good news: The solution to the energy crisis is at hand. The next time a power grid goes down, simply plug in Maggie Grant and Lisa Joffrey. Problem solved. These dynamic young pros, both members of Actor's Equity and currently starring in "Parallel Lives" at the Circle Theatre at Carmel's Golden Bough, together generate enough BTUs to light up the sky, coast to

### theater review

coast with megawatts to spare.

Sadly, there is also bad news: If you're reading these scribbles hot off the press on Friday, Dec. 26, today is the last time you can be energized by these human dynamos, for tonight they close. So if you desire an additional holiday treat, drop this paper now, dial 645-9317, and reserve seats for today's 3 p.m. matinee or the closing performance at 7:30 this evening. You'll thank Santa if you do.

Written by Kathy Najimy and Mo

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Gaffney, two feminist gagsters, this tour-de-force for two women comprises 14 scenes and 29 character roles in two acts totaling two hours, including one intermission. But while gags and jokes may prevail, even dominate, the finely wrought script exposes the entire feminine experience, virtually from cradle to grave, while stretching the



"Parallel Lives" at the Circle Theatre of the Golden Bough is a multi-character tour de force for Maggie Grant and Lisa Joffrey.

envelope of emotion from laughter to tears. At the end, you'll be on your feet with "bravas" as I was, along with the rest of the audience at the matinee performance last Saturday afternoon.

While it might be better staged in a proscenium theater, director Grant has done a fine job adapting the piece to the round stage at The Circle. Several of the vignettes, however — particularly one hilarious mirror/mime sequence of the female shower and and make-up ritual — necessitate favor-

ing one section of the audience over the others. Grant has obviously been aware of this and accordingly positions other scenes to compensate and balance the production for all.

Technical aspects are well accomplished, props and costume largely suggested rather than fully fleshed-out, and area lighting creates generous spaces for performance. Sound design by Charlie Steves and Buckley Marin is particularly effective, assisting in transitions between the multiplicity of vignettes.

But Grant and Joffrey could do this show in darkness and still shine convincingly. Don't miss this final opportunity to bask in their brilliance.

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# Cozy, continental Merlot Bistro pleases in so many ways

EARLY ON a recent rainy evening, as Christmas lights twinkled in Ocean Avenue shops and along the landscaped meridian, my dinner companion and I enjoyed the village scene from a window table at Merlot Bistro.

Shoppers hurried by with umbrellas in the early darkness, intent on buying a few more gifts before the stores closed, while we were dry and warm within.

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Transylvania? Merlot is obviously the pet varietal of this Csaba Ajan restaurant which touts the wine in its name, but carries an excellent full wine list. The dashing restaurateur, born in Transylvania — then part of Hungary but now in Rumania — takes delight in bringing his natal land's vampire vinous product to

The Vampire Merlot was excellent — rather big with berry-like fruit and a little more tannin than most Merlots. We enjoyed the black label's graphic design which sported a drop of blood from the point of the "V" in Vampire.

Vampire Merlot from

charming little Carmel, a study in contrasts with its cute Hotsie Totsie fairy-tale architecture.

Since it was a cold and rainy night, we both started the dinner with cups of hot coconut shrimp soup (\$3.95), and white bean soup (\$3.75). The former conjured up visions of coconut-encrusted shrimp in a broth, but



turned out to be a delicious coconut milk soup embellished with shrimp and vegetables. The white bean soup, flavored with carrots and celery, hit the spot.

It is seldom one finds on local menus braised young rabbit (\$18.95) in a fine country gravy, served with tamale dumplings — a winning combination in our estimation, one that could stand up nicely to the Vampire Merlot. But the succulent *accouterments* were absolutely inspired: cabernet red cabbage and mango tequila relish. What a delightful blend of flavors to accompany the rabbit! The meat was a bit dry, due perhaps to over braising in the oven without a lid — but that's just a guess.

The roasted citrus chicken with lemon grass sauce (\$15.95) was generous in portion, with crispy potato pancakes, and organic vegetables.

All desserts are \$6.25. We chose a fresh strawberry tart and New York cheesecake with port and raspberry coulis — and wonderful Ily espresso.

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country cuisine, Merlot! Bistro lives up to its nomenclature very well.

But the great plus for this restaurant is its innovations. There is no run-of-the-mill fare here; the menu has been thought out creatively. Escargot ravioli with wild mushrooms and tomato coulis (\$8.95); warm Oriental scallops and arugula salad with mango and bell pepper confit in ginger dressing (\$11.50); roasted lamb and mango chutney pizza (\$12.95) and even a filet mignon and gorgonzola pizza (\$12.50).

For main dishes, such unusual combinations as seared fresh tuna with candied orange zest, wasabi spiced succotash and rice (\$19.25); vineyard casserole of tender beef in pastry shell and zinfandel sauce (15.95); and Merlot-poached pear with Spumante (\$6.25) are indicative of the inventiveness of the chefs. Executive Chef Jason Giles is a graduate of the California CIA, San Francisco, former sous chef at The Lodge at Pebble Beach and Sonoma Mission Inn. He is backed by chef de cuisine Fernando Aguilera and sous chef Paul Vega.

This is not to say that Caesar salad, fettuccine Alfredo, grilled fresh salmon fillet, grilled New York steak and roasted rack of lamb are to be bypassed. In fact the salmon and lamb are signature dishes at Merlot! Bistro.

A kids' menu has tempting items from \$4.50 to \$5.95. Breakfast starts at 8 a.m.; luncheon features a slightly shorter menu than that offered for dinner, and adds sandwiches for \$8.50 to \$11.95, beginning at 11:30 a.m.

The restaurant has been through several incarnations since its long run as Scandia, when Csaba Ajan and Anton Salameh (another dashing restaurateur) purchased it. The name, menu, and decor were radically changed to Café American before reinventing itself as Merlot! Bistro and then as Merlot! Wine Country Bistro.

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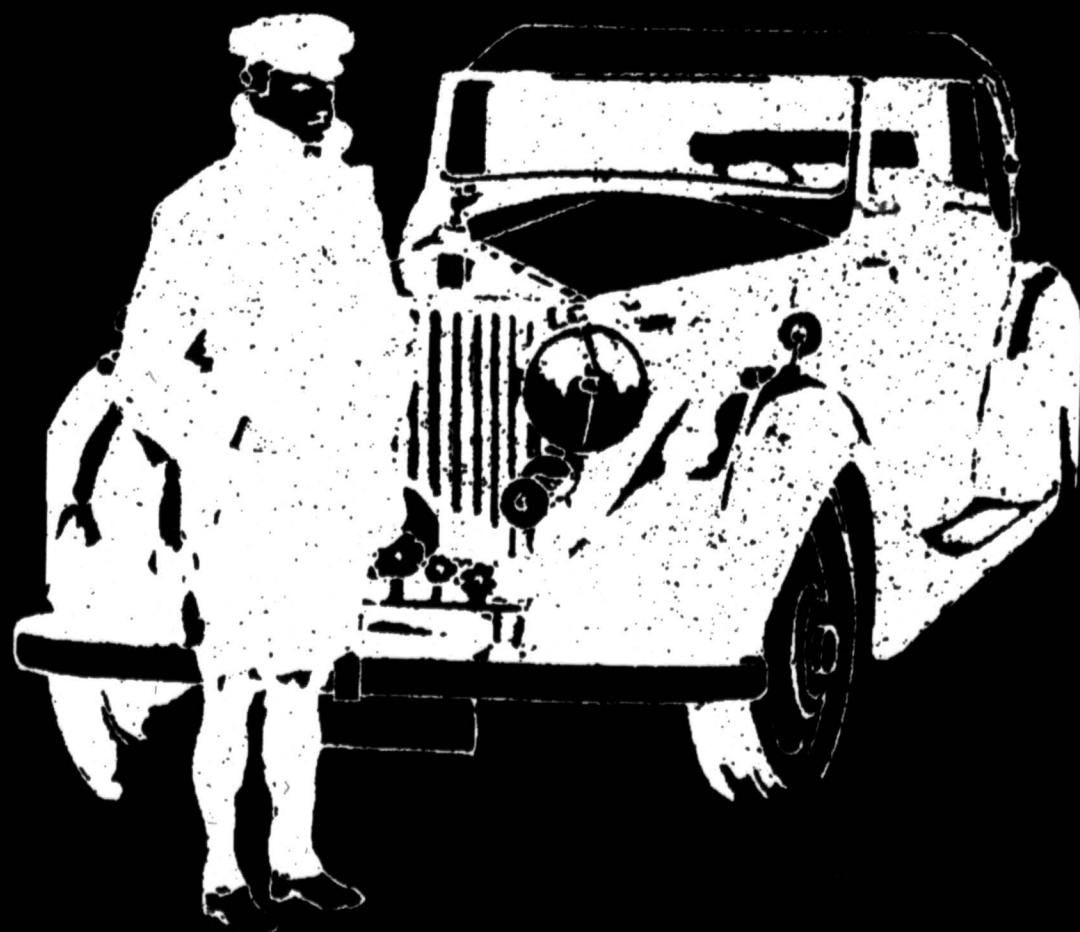
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## EARTHQUAKE

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"We were moving all our apparatus out on the street even before the shaking stopped," Reade said. The move is "standard protocol" for all fire stations in an earthquake, but even more so in Carmel.

"The fire house was a WPA project and was built in 1934," said engineer Chuck August. "It's made of poured concrete, and the rebar [steel reinforcing] is about 3 feet apart, so there's no way it meets modern standards."

Behind him, five fire trucks and ambulances lined one side of Sixth Avenue. Another fire truck and an ambulance were on the other side. The fire station garages were empty.

"If the quake had been bigger — like Loma Prieta in 1989 — we would close the street and park them right down the middle, so nothing could fall on them," August added. The Carmel stone facing on the fire

station poses a particular hazard for anybody on the sidewalk or a vehicle parked at the curb, he said.

One fire truck remained parked at the public works yard on Torres, Reade said. It has been based there since last year, to make sure at least one truck remains operational even if the fire station suddenly collapses.

Tuesday morning, all the fire trucks and ambulances remained outside, in case of strong aftershocks or that Monday's quake was a precursor to a bigger one.

"We leave them outside a minimum of 24 hours," Reade said. In case of severe earthquake damage, there is also a backup plan to move the city's entire firefighting operation to Vista Lobos, she said.

The lack of earthquake reinforcement at the fire station has long been a source of frustration for the city. Last February, the city council decided to make retrofitting the station a priority, at an estimated cost of \$400,000. According to Reade, the city is in the process of selecting a structural engineer and work could begin next summer.

## DISCOVER

*From page 1A*

and Seventh and was named for an Indian chief of the Choctaw tribe, who came to Carmel in the '30s and '40s to retire.

"He really endeared himself to the community. Often he would wear his full Indian regalia and visit schools to teach the children roping techniques," said Prine.

Even the town's most observant walkers have probably passed Der Ling Lane on their way up or down Ocean Avenue, between Dolores and Lincoln, and not seen it. Named after a Chinese princess, this fairytale corridor leads you under arbors woven with flowers down a cobblestone path onto a patio encircled by greenery and oak trees.

The 7 Arts Court on Lincoln between Ocean and Seventh marks the first place in Carmel where local artists displayed their work. Herbert Heron, founder of the Forest Theater in 1910, purchased this courtyard so local artists could have a central venue for showing their work.

Some of the courtyards in Carmel end in charming two-story flats and were artist's studios at one time.

"The second story building in 7 Arts Court was the studio of famous photographer Edward Weston in the 1930s," says Prine.

While visitors to Carmel often have to leave town before taking in more than just a few of its sites, locals can take their time and tour downtown systematically. But first, they have to learn to park several blocks from their destination, taking the opportunity to explore passages and venture into courtyards. Then, they may find themselves closer to the Carmel character they think they know so well.

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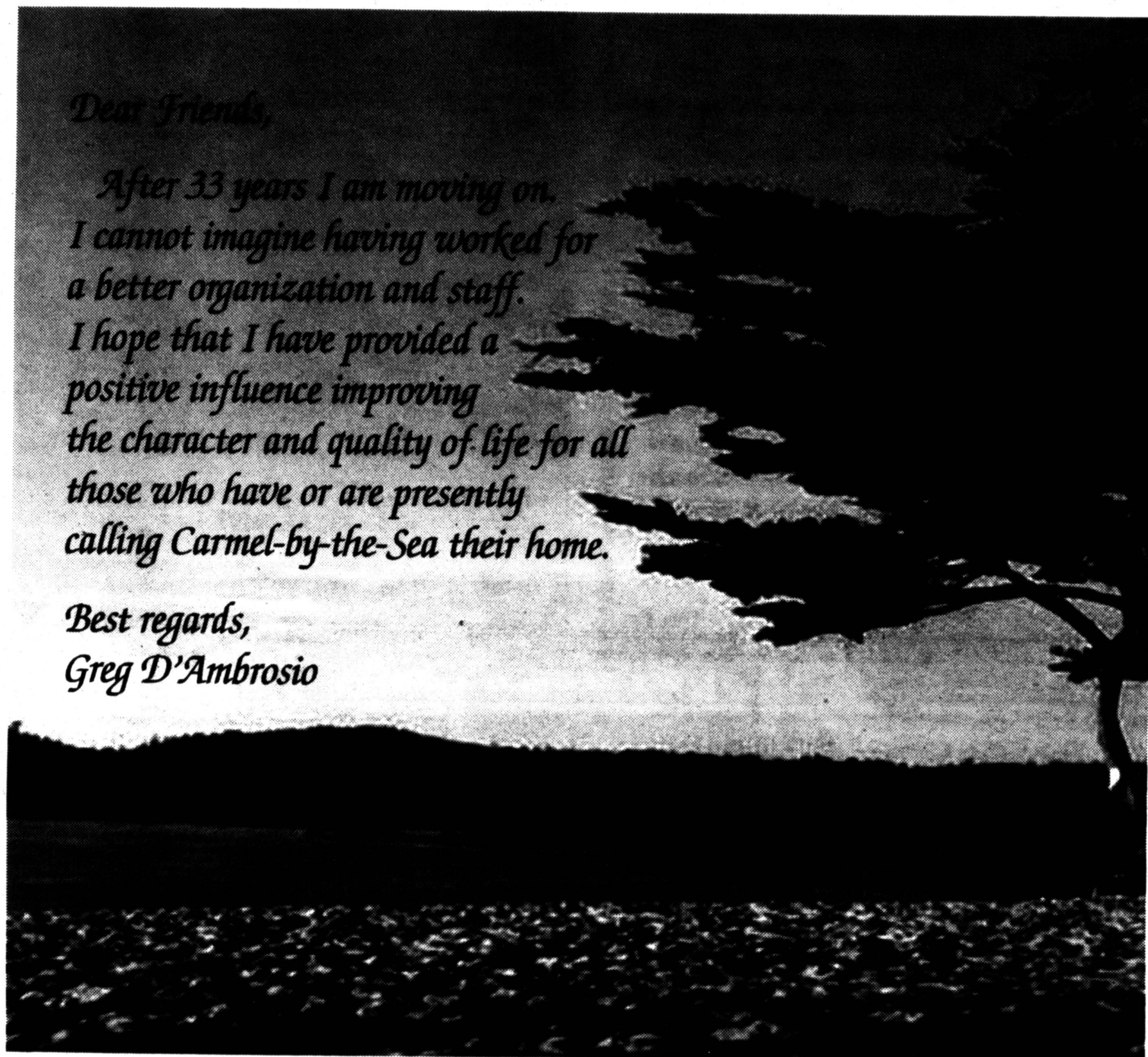
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## Crouch joins cream of the crop

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She attained the designation by graduating from the Institute of Public Service program at Seattle University. She studied "in-depth courses in managerial and leadership skills, social and interpersonal concerns and technical training needed to deal with changes taking place in government today," according to the IMC — a statement obvious to anyone who has been greeted by Crouch's smiling face at city hall.

Crouch has been employed by the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea since 1995, serving as planning services coordinator before being appointed City Clerk in December 2000.

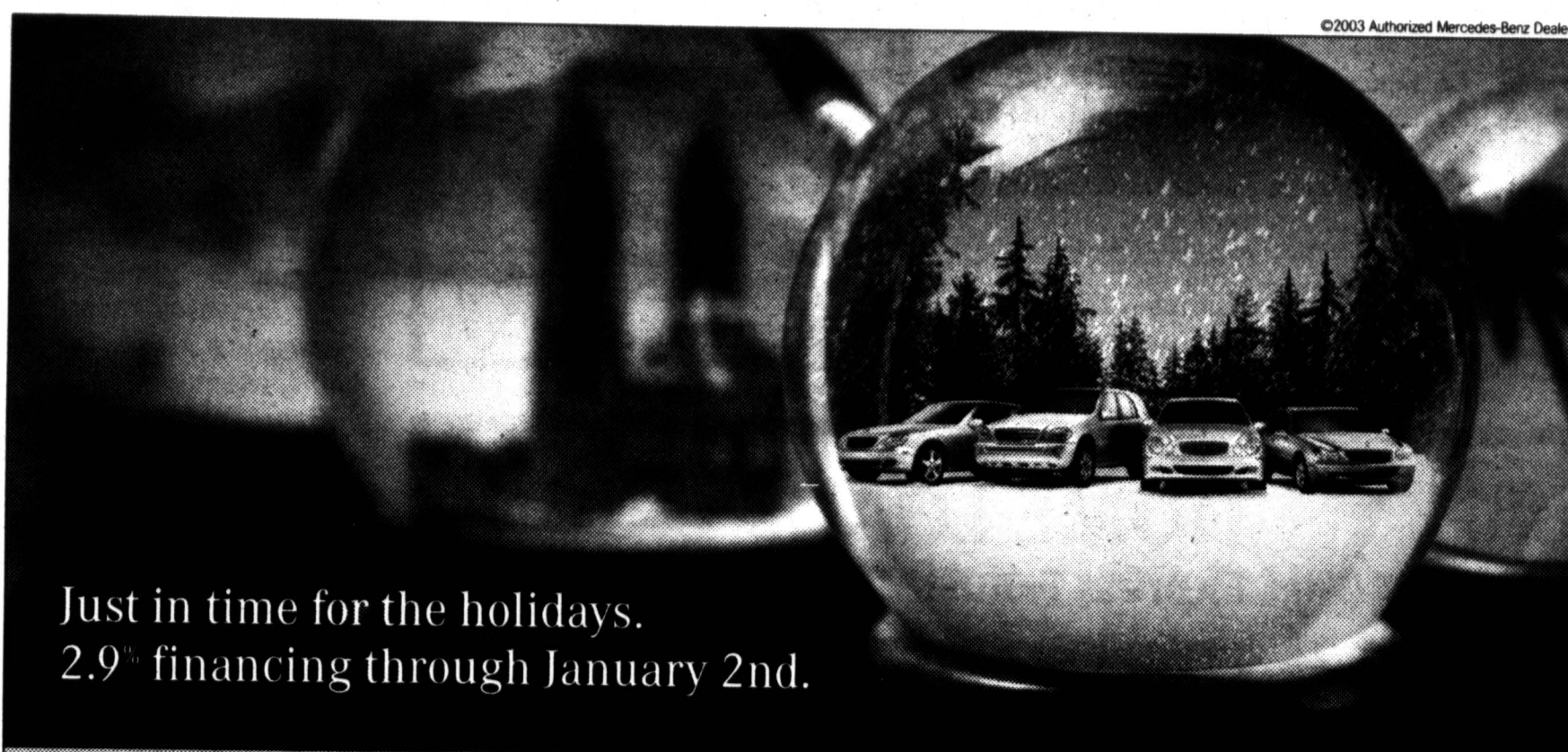


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## Stevenson runner competes in state championship — despite the flu

By MARY BROWNFIELD

AMID THE cheers for Carmel High School's stellar state champion cross-country team, the glories of one lone Robert Louis Stevenson runner, who competed while ridden with the flu, went unsung.

Gabe LaMothe, a Carmel resident and junior at RLS, won all-league honors at the Mission Trail Athletic League championship in Toro Park earlier this year, and during Central Coast Section competition, he qualified for an individual berth at the Nov. 29 state championships in Fresno, according to his mom, Eileen LaMothe.

"At CCS, he had to come in the top dozen, out of a couple hundred runners," she

said. "So he had to earn it."

Unfortunately, Gabe caught the flu over Thanksgiving. But he didn't let the illness keep him from running in Fresno, which was his second trip in the state championships.

Accompanied by his coach, Cleve Thayer, the Stevenson junior left his bed only to race. He finished in the top third, but the virus stopped him from improving his best time.

"We were shocked he could do that well," his mother said. "He did the best he could, under the circumstances."

Gabe's honor complemented the recognition given RLS' entire

athletic program, which received the Roger Fernando Pursuing Victory with Honor Sportsmanship Award from Mission Trail Athletic League earlier this year.



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## CANADAS

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"They get out in front of the Army," he said.

The older Canadas, a Greenfield resident who works for the county housing authority, said he talks to his son monthly. The two have not spoken since Dec. 13 when Saddam Hussein was captured.

Canadas' grandmother is Sherlock Holmes pub co-owner Charlyne Macugay.

"He's called me a couple of times from over there. He was on a four-day leave in a little country I can't even pronounce," she said. The last time he phoned was about a month ago, from Qatar. "He writes and keeps in contact as much as possible, and I watch the news all the time to see what's going on."

### Docent training for Point Sur lighthouse

THERE WILL be a free tour of the Point Sur Light Station Sunday afternoon, Jan. 25, for people interested in becoming volunteer docents. Advance reservations are required.

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*'He's a real go-getter. He*

*never liked to be second*

*in anything.'*

— Charlyne Macugay

not surprised her grandson became an Army paratrooper.

"He's a real go-getter. He never liked to be second in anything," she said. Also, "his grandfather was in the Korean War and his uncle was career Army."

Christmastime has been difficult without him around, and Macugay said she prays for her grandson often.

Other locals also follow Canadas' military career. The paratrooper's former boss at Carmel Valley Backhoe often sends letters and packages, and the flag of the 82nd Airborne flies above Hacienda Hay & Feed on Carmel Valley Road.

In the time since Canadas enlisted, he's definitely changed, his father observed.

"He seems a lot more grown up," he said, adding

Macugay said she was

that being part of the elite 82nd Airborne will produce lifetime friendships. "They're very tight knit," Ed Canadas said. "I think they're living life more than we are."



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### Today's Real Estate

by MAUREEN MASON  
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#### Growing Internet Use by Home Buyers

According to a very reliable survey sponsored by the National Association of Realtors (NAR), when people started looking for their first (or next) principle residence in 2001, 41% of them logged on to the Internet to help them find a home and learn about today's real estate opportunities.

A very recently completed survey, again by the NAR, asked questions of 45,000 people who had bought and/or sold a home in the first quarter of 2003. Rather amazingly, 71% reported using the Internet in buying a home. That's phenomenal growth, and great evidence that the Internet is becoming an integral part of our lives.

At the same time, we have further evidence that the Internet doesn't replace real estate or mortgage professionals, as some wild-eyed seers assured us it would a few years ago. To the contrary, nearly 90% of those using the Internet in their home buying process called on the assistance of real estate professionals, whereas 79% of those who didn't use the Internet called on real estate professionals for help in finding a home and engineering the best possible transaction.

It seems that the more we know about the intricacies of real estate transactions, the more we need the assistance of a capable, compassionate real estate advisor. Not too surprisingly, the typical Internet-using homebuyer was 38 years old, whereas the typical non-Internet-using homebuyer was 47 years old. This, too, suggests that use of the Internet can only grow in the future.

If you need more information, call Maureen at 622-2565 and visit her website at [www.maureenmason.com](http://www.maureenmason.com). Maureen Mason is a Realtor® with Coldwell Banker Del Monte Realty.



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**Editorial****Back to reality**

WHEN DOROTHY finally figured out how to get back to Kansas, she carried with her the hard-won lesson that the real world — despite its imperfections — was vastly preferable to the world of her imagination. There was a similar feeling at the first meeting of the new water board last week.

As Larry Foy and Michelle Knight took their oaths of office, forming a new common-sense majority with Dave Potter, Alvin Edwards and David Pendergrass, there was an overarching realization that they face a series of tough problems with no guarantee of success. But at least the water board was no longer the Land of Oz.

There was still a touch of fantasy about the proceedings. Kristi Markey, immediately before she took her oath as a new board member, told a reporter from KSBW-TV that she was sure the new board would work together for the common good. But then she dismissed out-of-hand the idea of building a desal plant at Moss Landing. It just isn't practical, she said. In other words, "We will work together for the common good, as long as everybody agrees with me."

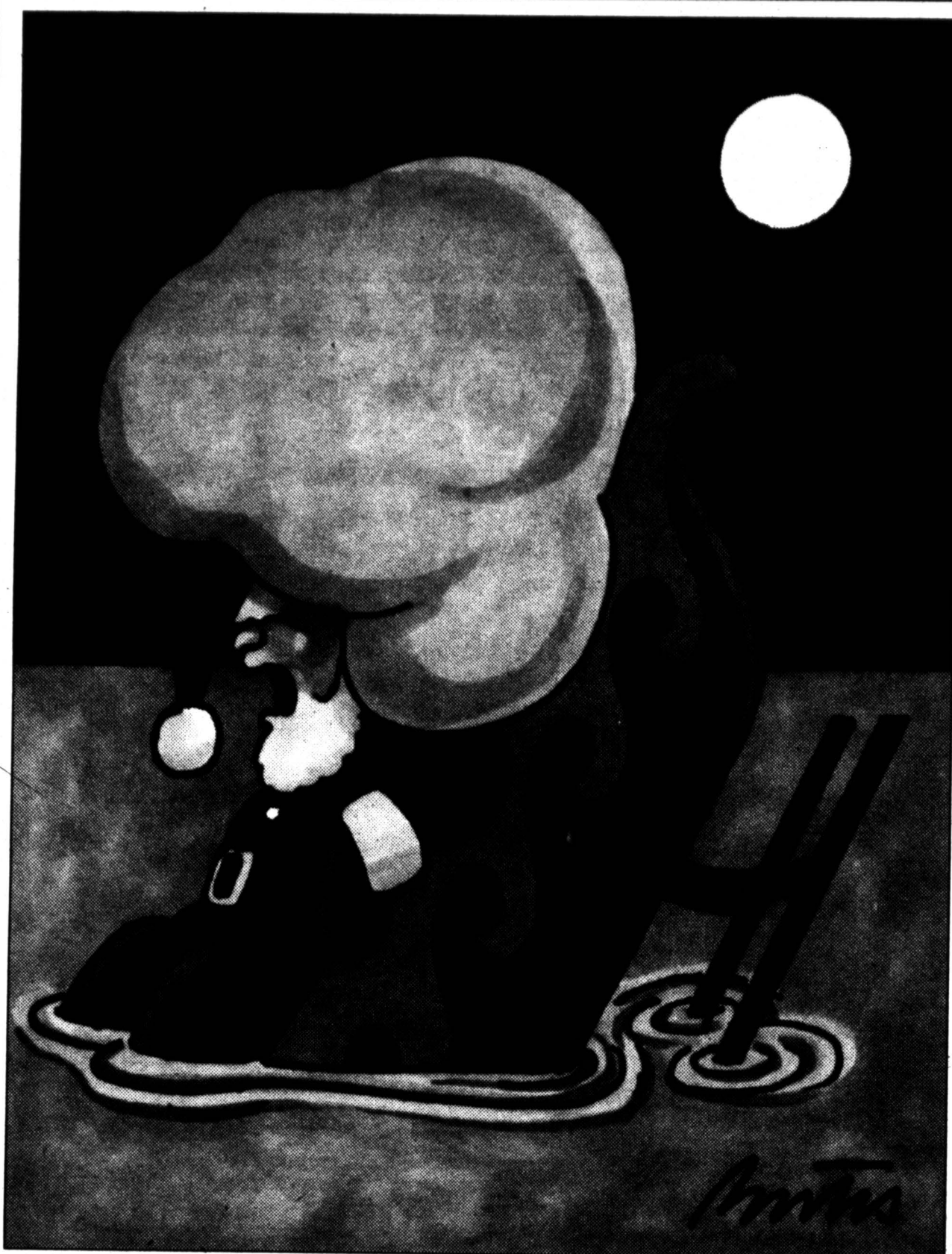
We think a Moss Landing plant, of the sort proposed by Nader Agha, is the clear front-runner to solve the Peninsula's perennial water shortage, not to mention the salt water intrusion problem in the Salinas Valley, as well as water crises affecting numerous other communities.

But it is by no means certain that Moss Landing is the answer. "Working together" means studying options with an open mind, not simply to justify one's preconceived ideas. There must be a new water supply to offset the overdraft of the Carmel River and to provide enough water for the basic human needs of the community. If Watsonville, Hollister or Salinas want to chip in, fine. But there's no need to build a colossal plant that drowns the people of the Monterey Peninsula in expensive, excess water that will tempt big-time developers.

The first thing the water board should do is canvass the mayors of the peninsula cities and the board of supervisors to determine how much water they need. Then they have to move quickly to figure out how to provide it. By the end of 2004, the plan should be on its way to fruition.

Water is an essential commodity that should be made available at a reasonable cost and with a minimum of bureaucratic hassles. That takes the courage to ignore emotional, pointless criticism, the intelligence to sort through reams of conflicting studies, data and advice, and compassion for people who need water to achieve their personal goals, not to mention an acceptable level of human hygiene and comfort.

As the Wizard did for the Lion, the Scarecrow and the Tin Man, the voters have imbued the new water board with all the qualities it needs to succeed.

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"I said, 'Donner' . . . not 'Downer!'"

**Letters to the Editor****Two valleys**

Dear Editor:

It appears to me that residents and businesses of Carmel Valley need their own water district. As a newcomer to the valley, I am astounded to find that residents believe they are adequately represented by the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District. All one needs to do to realize this is not the case is drive up the valley a few miles, and wonder what lies to the north of the mountains.

It is the Salinas River and valley, and it has its own watershed. A majority of the members of the MPWMD live there. They have two dams, two large reservoirs, flood control, water recreation and even some hydro.

To the south, on the other hand, is the paltry little Carmel River, most of the year dry half way down to the ocean. Even the city of Carmel is lucky to wind up with water from this source.

My thinking is that the existing water district is a creation of a legislature which, in all its wisdom, did not take into account the fact that the Peninsula derives water from two

watersheds. It was not envisioned that the residents of Carmel Valley might wish to control the dams and reservoirs there. For one thing, they would not wish to endure an enormous dam which would provide water for Salinas Valley as well as Carmel Valley.

Nor was it contemplated that a conflict of interest might occur, especially if Cal-Am decides to extend into the Salinas Valley. Why can't we also have flood control, recreation, perhaps hydro and a salmon run, along with drinking water?

Harry Rockey, Carmel Valley

**Dinner a big hit**

Dear Editor:

The 33rd annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner was a huge success. Approximately 2,500 meals were served! I would like to thank the Monterey Kiwanis Club for sponsoring this event as well as the many companies and individuals who generously donated money, turkeys, other food-stuffs and paper products. I would also like to thank the hundreds of volunteers who readied the facilities, prepared and served the food, and cleaned up afterwards. Heartfelt thanks goes out to the management and staff of the Monterey Fairgrounds for their kindness and assistance, as well as Sand City Chief of Police, Mike Klein, and his officers, for delivering hundreds of meals

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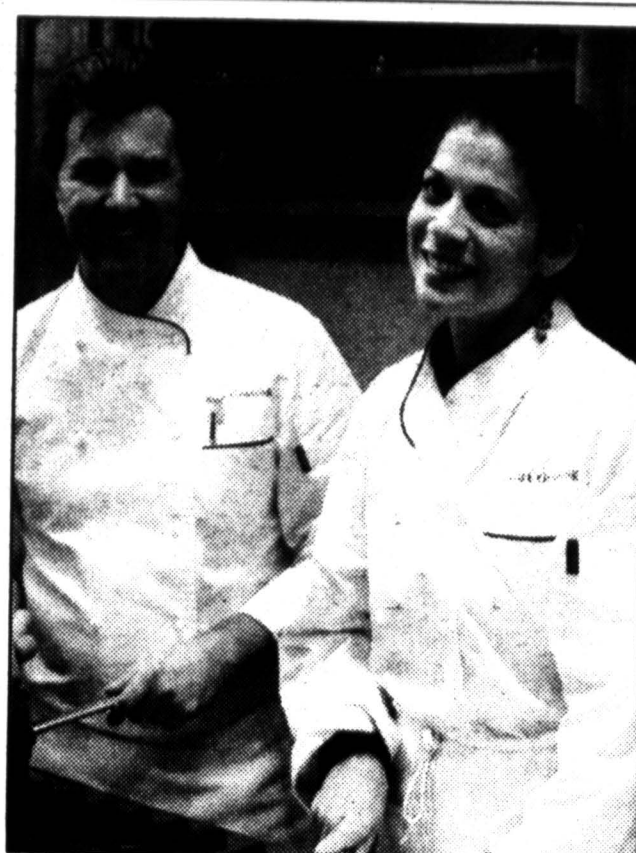
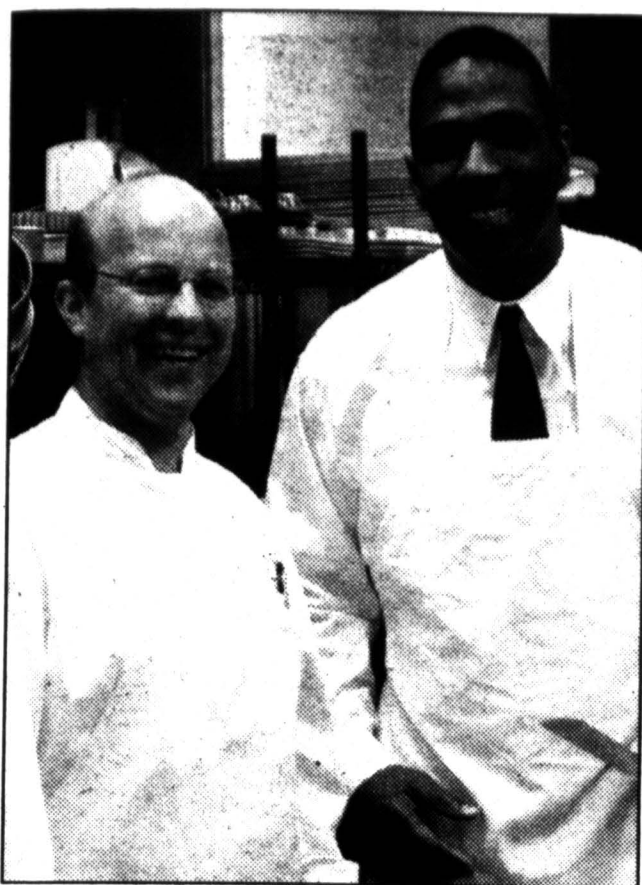


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## Haute cuisine for MY Museum benefit

### LETTERS

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and good cheer to shut-ins throughout the Monterey Peninsula. Of course, a special thanks to our fabulous chefs who prepared a most magical meal: Jeff Parker, Randy Young, Jimmy Schaeffler and their many helpers. To all of the volunteer men and women, boys and girls, your labor of love was a wonderful gift to a grateful community. Thank you.

Michael S. Fields, coordinator, 33rd Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner

At the Culinary Center of Monterey on Dec. 8, Dina Eastwood joined chef Kurt Grasing of Grasing's and Kurt's Chop House (right photo), while former San Francisco 49er Keena Turner helped chef Cal Stamenov of Bernardus Lodge prepare high cuisine for guests at a fundraiser for MY Museum. The children's museum is moving to a new building in downtown Monterey and raised almost \$50,000 at the event to help fund the move and a host of new programs. Thom Steinbeck, son of the Nobel Prize winning author, thanked the museum for helping teach science to young people because, "the public schools don't have the funding to do it."

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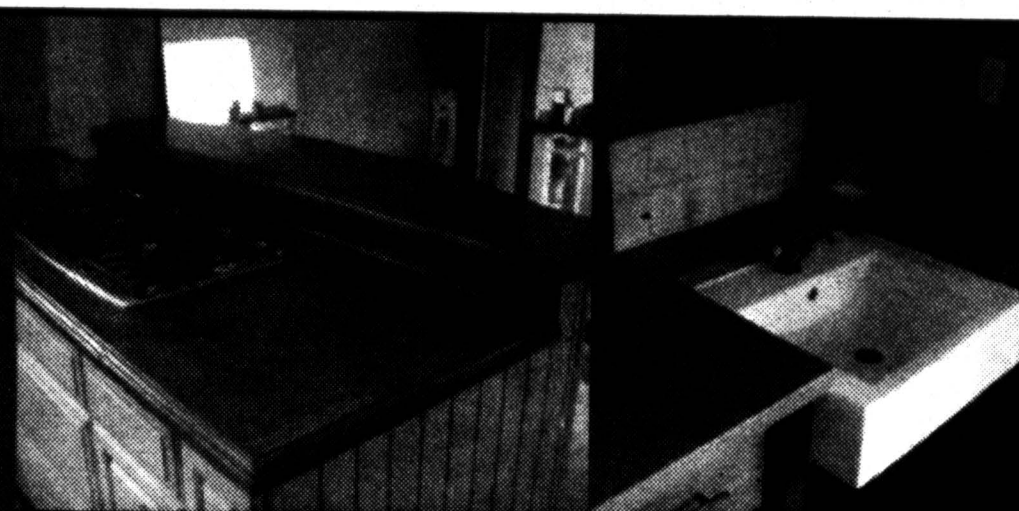
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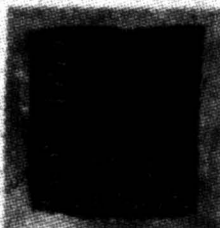


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Lucy is full of boundless energy, loves to dash into the breakers at Carmel Beach for a thrown ball, digs extremely deep holes in the sand around a found tennis ball (the most cherished kind), chases and catches Frisbees with great accuracy, and plays with her many friends, all of whom dropped by her home with Christmas presents.

It boggles the mind, but Lucy, who is our Christmas 2003 Sandy Claws,



wears an attractive collar with 'Santa Paws' emblazoned on it in iridescent lettering, and her boy friend is Sandy, a two-pound Chihuahua who evidently is attracted to queen size cuties such as Lucy. And they say there are no coincidences!

Lucy comes from a family of brunettes: Mom Julie and brother Nova — who lives on September Ranch as a working cattle quarter horse — and Lucy herself are all tawny beauties.

As we left Lucy at the top o' the dunes at Ninth Avenue and Scenic Road, she was more than half submerged in her sandy beach hole, staring out at us with a supremely pleased look on her face. Too bad we had run out of film.

Merry Christmas to all our many Sandy Claws of this year and years gone by, and God bless those who have passed on to their heavenly reward of endless beaches and old friends.

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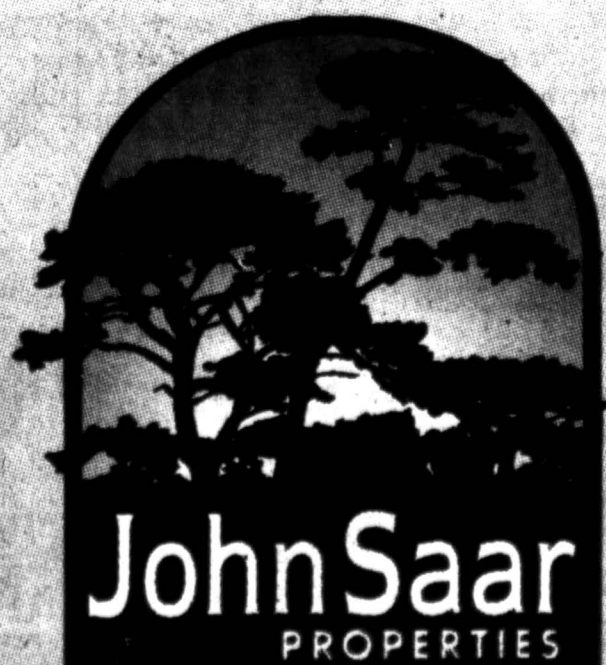
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■ Carmel's egalitarian past



Guest House



■ This week's cover home, located in the Big Sur, is presented by Patrick Sahli & Jim Somerville of John Saar Properties (see page 2B)

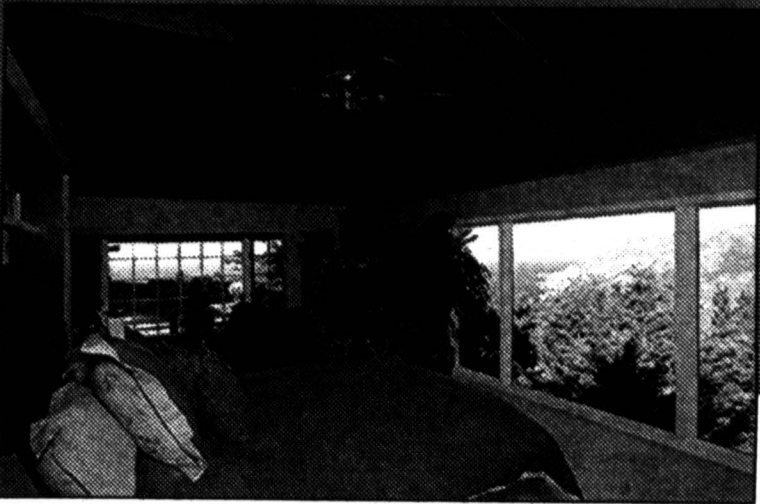


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## Home sales the week of Nov. 30-Dec. 6, 2003

## CARMEL

3340 Rio Rd \$679,000

Kari L Yeater to Michael W &amp; Lisa M Parker

8th &amp; San Carlos #11 \$670,000

Clair A Thomas Jr to A Kenneth &amp; Margaret L Bender

26183 Mesa Dr \$1,091,000

Dan &amp; Michelle Morris Warren to Jon-Christopher &amp; Sarah Myers

24368 San Marcos Rd \$835,000

Reidulf H &amp; Evelyn A Westlye to Elizabeth A Robinson

26135 S Carmel Hills Dr \$650,000

Brenda Carol to Patrick J &amp; Myriam L Kennelly

25E San Antonio &amp; Santa Lucia \$1,265,000

Richard E D &amp; Stella Chri Fenton to Buff La Grange

NW Corner Of 9th Av &amp; Carmelo \$1,675,000

Bruce J &amp; Susan P Barclay to Steven Gregory &amp; Carolyn Davies

NE Corner Guadalupe &amp; Mt View \$985,000

Robert N Ruggles to Mark &amp; Jillian Heisman Owen

## CARMEL - SOUTH COAST

None

## CARMEL VALLEY

296 Calle De Los Agrinemsors \$725,000

Thomas P &amp; Sherri L Pedersen to Luke &amp; Seaberry Nachbar

Vacant Land \$300,000

Doyle W Eggers Jr to Dennis Lambrook

8 Sleepy Hollow Dr \$2,700,000

Frederick D &amp; Teresa Sturdivant to Steve G &amp; Elizabeth M Woolpert

3850 Rio Rd #65 \$665,000

Thomas L &amp; Denise Archibald to Diane M Greco

10511 Fairway Ct \$1,000,000

Alexandra Morrow to Richard M Nystrom

7 Trampa Cyn \$1,095,000

Tor &amp; Kathryn Marie Mcpartland to Edward J Schneider III

671 Country Club Dr \$860,000

Elliott Thomas Allen to Lynn &amp;

Beth E Nicholls Kovach

1 Calle De La Paloma

\$635,000

Barry L &amp; Patricia M Wade to

Gerard &amp; Ashley D Mattimoe

## PEBBLE BEACH

2988 Cormorant Rd

\$2,400,000

Robert R Bebermeyer to

Samuel D &amp; Nancy R Colella

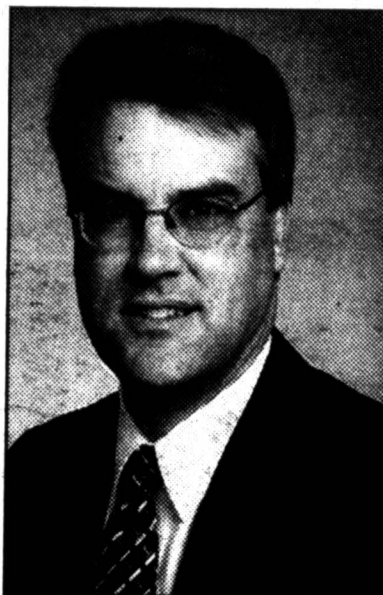
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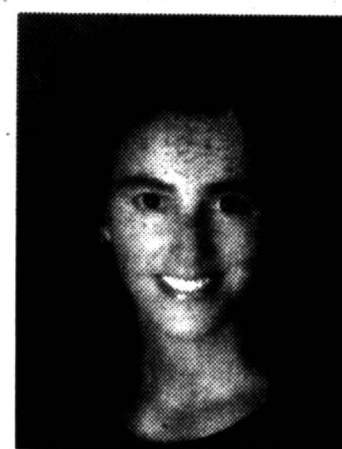
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## Carmel Spotlight.

**Daisy's Place.** Carmel legend Daisy Bostick lived here. Carmel builders Don McBride & Frank Bruno have just completed a stunning remodel and restoration. \$3,295,000.

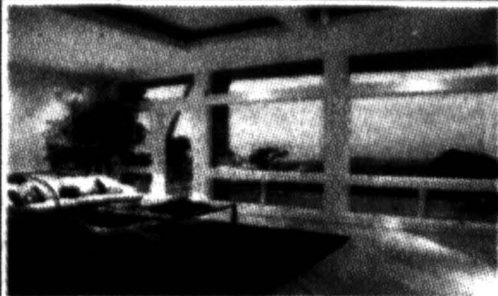


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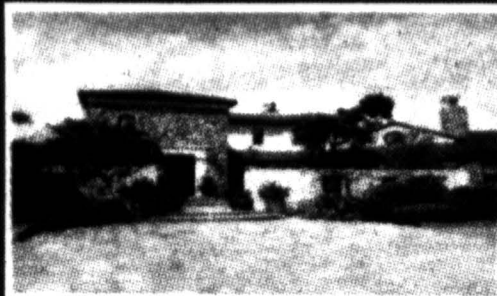




**CARMEL** - This secluded three bedroom, three and one half bath contemporary in Jades Peak is on a private cul-de-sac with five beautiful acres as well as panoramic ocean views from Monterey to Santa Cruz. This sophisticated home features large, bright rooms, a huge gourmet kitchen, two fireplaces, and spacious tiled terraces overlooking a lovely pool.

\$2,490,000

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**MONTEREY** - Overlooking the entire Monterey Bay is this magnificent villa, prestigiously located on three private acres. Offering soaring ceilings, terraces, views from almost every window, four fireplaces, spacious master suite, state-of-the-art kitchen, butler's pantry and swimming pool. This is one of the largest and finest classic estate properties in all of Monterey.

\$9,700,000

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**CARMEL** - A charming cleaned-up Carmel cottage in a walk-to-town location. Remodel, rebuild, or rent on this oversized 60 x 100 foot lot. This cute two bedroom, one bath home with fireplace, hardwood floors and large fenced yard could also be a great vacation getaway at a reasonable price. Come see for yourself.

\$720,000

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**CARMEL VALLEY** - Immaculate three bedroom, three bath Carmel Valley Ranch home located on a quiet cul-de-sac above the Ranch. The floor plan is versatile with a separate dining room, living room with fireplace, some hardwood floors, extra storage, workshop and a two-car garage. Golf course living with mountain views from this stunning home. Priced to sell!

\$859,000

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**CARMEL HIGHLANDS** - Yankee Point masterpiece with the ultimate ocean views! Approximately 140 feet of ocean frontage with spectacular white water and sandy beach views. Access to secluded cove for your enjoyment. In perhaps the best location in the Highlands, this 3,728 sq. ft. home is in move-in condition. Gourmet kitchen and views from nearly every room. Two master suites plus wet bar and private office.

\$4,199,000

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**PACIFIC GROVE** - Steps to town, and a short jaunt to the bay and recreation trail is this ideally situated, two bedroom, one bath home. Well-maintained offering a living room with fireplace that flows into the spacious kitchen. A sunroom and large loft area featuring skylights and drop-down stairs provide additional living space. New roof, copper plumbing and upgraded electrical system.

\$615,000

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## PASADERA - VIEWS OVERLOOKING THE 12th FAIRWAY



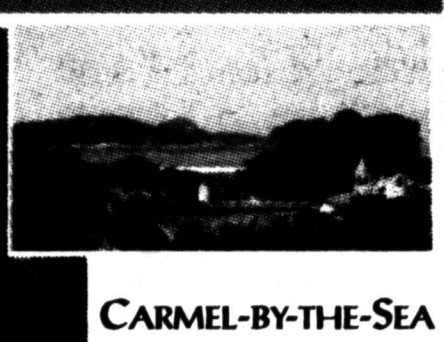
MONTEREY/  
SALINAS HWY

This Mediterranean villa overlooks the 12th fairway of the Jack Nicholas designed golf course at Pasadera. Enjoy elegance and design within this four bedroom four bath home featuring a spectacular entry with inlaid rosettes and swirl wrought iron staircase. Gourmet kitchen with limestone countertops and hickory pecan flooring. Jacuzzi, steam shower, and numerous custom built-ins throughout.

\$2,950,000

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## LYKKEBO - HOUSE OF HAPPINESS



CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA

Conveniently located, with views of Pt. Lobos, Carmel Mission, and the blue Pacific, and bordered by a greenbelt, this stunning "remodeled" home is basically new from the ground up! Four bedrooms, three baths plus an adorable guest house, set on a meticulously maintained 4/10th acre parcel--this home is in immaculate condition, offering every imaginable amenity.

\$3,900,000

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**CARMEL VALLEY RANCH** - Overlooking the 16th hole at Carmel Valley Ranch, this 2,400 sq. ft. three bedroom, three and one half bath town home features exquisite mountain and golf course views. All major living is on the main level, including master suite, kitchen, dining area, laundry room, garden/family room, and living room with fireplace. Two additional suites upstairs complete this wonderful property.

\$1,029,000

659-2267



**CARMEL** - Located in the gated High Meadow II neighborhood of Carmel, situated on a quiet cul-de-sac is this classic New England charmer vividly displaying pride of ownership throughout. Enjoy forest views from this four bedroom three bath home offering a versatile floor plan with an eat-in kitchen, separate dining room and family room, in addition to bonus apartment with its own entrance.

\$1,195,000

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**PACIFIC GROVE** - Enjoy fabulous Bay and city lights views from the second level of this well-maintained home, located within walking distance of the beach, town and schools. This three bedroom, two bath, low maintenance home makes a great weekender or year-round residence. Property offers open-beam ceilings, skylights, updated kitchen with custom tiles and cherry wood cabinets, as well as updated baths with custom tile.

\$699,000

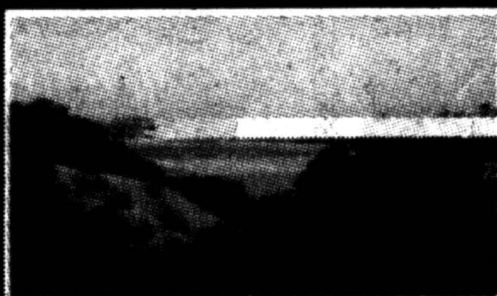
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**CARMEL** - Sparkling two bedroom, two bath "beach house" remodeled in 1996. South of Ocean Avenue location, just three blocks to town. Move-in condition with new master bath and laundry room. Meander over the quaint bridge to the secluded garden area perfect for outdoor living. Hot tub on private deck. Room to expand on back part of lot.

\$825,000

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**MONTEREY/SALINAS HWY** - Experience The Bluffs, a gated community above the beautiful Salinas Valley yet near all the conveniences of town and the Monterey Peninsula. This three bedroom, three bath home has an open floor plan, open beamed vaulted ceilings, and large deck. Relax in the great room or in the sunroom while enjoying the beauty of the oak trees and views. The Bluffs maintains a pool, clubroom, and tennis courts.

\$695,000

646-2120



**CARMEL** - Located in the 'Golden Triangle' area, this 2,685 sq. ft. home has three bedrooms, three baths, a formal dining room, cherry wood kitchen with breakfast room and charming family room. Additional features include hardwood floors throughout, plus three fireplaces. You will love the professionally landscaped gardens. Easy walk to the beach. Carmel school district.

\$2,150,000

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## CLASSIC ELEGANCE AT 'CASA DI CAMPAGNA'



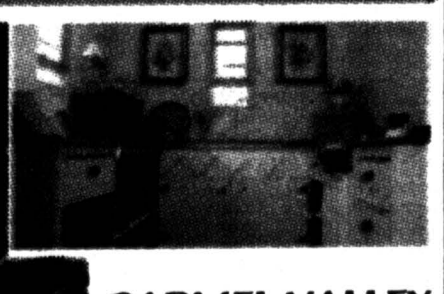
CARMEL

A1920's European-style home, on a landscaped half acre in Hatton Fields, offers a wealth of design, architecture, and craftsmanship. Recent down-to-the-studs renovation is evident throughout this five bedroom, and five and one half bath home which features 17th century Italian doors, high ceilings, plastered and waxed walls, antique flooring, rich Honduran mahogany windows, and so much more.

\$5,695,000

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## EUROPEAN AMBIANCE IN CARMEL VALLEY



CARMEL VALLEY

This four bedroom, three bath Tuscan-style residence and guest cottage, designed by Eric Miller, is newly completed and offers unsurpassed privacy on forty level acres of woodland and wildflower meadows. Vintage design elements and hand-crafted cabinets, antique lighting fixtures, cherry floors, and ornate vintage hardware and mirrors. Perfect river-in-front/mountain-behind Feng Shui location.

\$5,500,000

659-2267



**CARMEL HIGHLANDS** - This tri-level contemporary is one of the best values in the Highlands. Totally remodeled, this four bedroom, three bath home offers ocean and bay view. Amenities include two fireplaces, an all new kitchen with upgrades including granite countertops & cherry cabinets. Master suite has ocean views, private deck, and a jacuzzi tub. Radiant heat for maximum comfort! Only ten minutes to downtown Carmel!

\$1,650,000

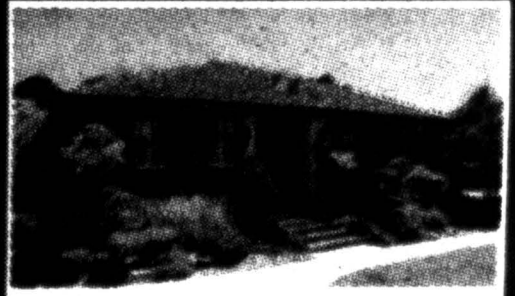
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**MONTEREY/SALINAS HWY** - A stunning home built of all redwood, brick and glass located high atop on a private drive. In immaculate condition, this two bedroom, two bath home surrounded by large oaks, fruit trees and a new wraparound deck enjoys full views of the verdant Salinas Valley. Two-car garage includes workshop space. Live where the eagles fly - great second home or a year-round paradise.

\$765,000

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**CARMEL VALLEY** - Outstanding location. Walk to clubhouse & pool. This is a special home with expanded rooms and enclosed deck. Gourmet kitchen with all new appliances. Large utility room with washer/dryer. Beautiful parquet floors, plantation shutters, exterior awnings. Separate entrance off the rear deck. Interior decoration is exquisite, one of the best.

\$775,000

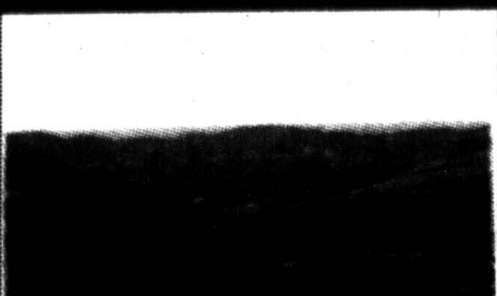
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**CARMEL HIGHLANDS** - Wonderfully upgraded, this 2830 sq. ft. four bedroom, three and one half bath family home features three fireplaces, cherry wood kitchen cabinets, marble and wood flooring, vaulted ceilings, breakfast bar, separate dining area, wine cellar, and a two car garage. Landscaped paths, beautiful flower gardens, a fountain and deck add to the beauty of an ocean view.

\$1,800,000

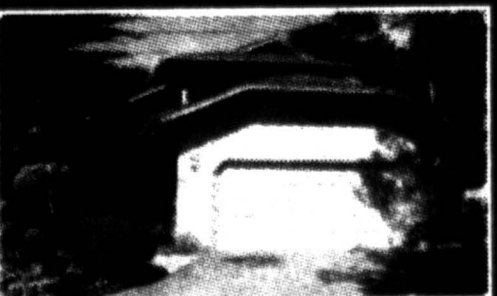
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**CARMEL VALLEY** - Step into this magnificent 2,700 sq. ft., three bedroom, two and one half bath home and enjoy 180 degree views of Carmel Valley and the village below. Set on 10.26 acres, the home offers a spacious living room with fireplace, separate dining and family room, large deck and a three car garage. Out of the fog belt and offering the most breathtaking views!

\$995,000

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**PEBBLE BEACH** - Superbly located near the entrance to the Monterey Peninsula Country Club is this 3,100 sq. ft., five bedroom, three and one-half bath home situated on a large corner lot. Amenities include a large family room, separate dining room, and a breakfast nook. The spacious living room accented by cathedral ceilings coupled with an open stairway adds a touch of excellence and beauty.

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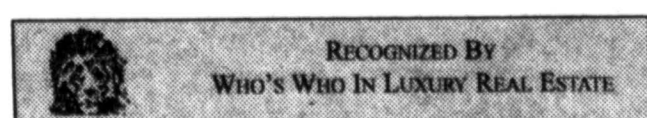
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## Glen Heights Flair



Homes within this gated Pacific Grove community are rarely offered for sale. This handsomely appointed home boasts a remodeled kitchen featuring all white cabinetry, corian counters, a center island with gas burners, and a built-in breakfast nook. There are numerous custom built-in cabinets and shelves throughout the home. With just over 2,100 square feet of living space, there's plenty of room even for large furnishings. The flowing floor plan invites gracious entertaining with its formal dining room opening onto the step-down living room with fireplace. The guest room adjoins a private, enclosed patio perfect for potted plants. Decks off the master bedroom and living room provide westerly views over the distant Pacific Ocean. \$719,000



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## REAL ESTATE

# A rustic town where everyone was welcome

By TAMARA GRIPPI

THE CARMEL Development Company's first customer in 1903 was an African-American woman named Mrs. E. A. Foster who bought two lots on Dolores and 10 lots on the south side of Ocean Avenue for \$1,000.

That year, Mrs. Foster also bought a carpenter shop on Dolores, where she lived for her first eight months in Carmel. By year's end, she sold that building to Roland and Emma Henderson, an African-American couple who soon opened their own restaurant at the site.

Early Carmel could boast of another restaurant — owned by The Pine Inn's first cook, Pon Singó serving Chinese food.

And the north end of town along Monterey and Lobos Streets was known as Carmel's own Tortilla Flats, home to a community of Native American and Hispanic residents. Children from the Tortilla Flats neighborhood would often walk down to Ocean Avenue to sell tamales or other cooked food, according to local historian Kent Seavey.

The Carmel of 1903 — captured in detail in Sharron Lee Hale's book, "A Tribute to Yesterday" — welcomed anyone who was prepared to make the rustic village their home.

The result was a rich, diverse flavor in early Carmel.

In those days, Carmel was even known as a "feminine friendly" place, Seavey said. "Independent women could find an equal footing here," he said.

Moving to Carmel allowed dreamers to put their entrepreneurial and creative spirits to the test.

Newcomers picked up work as carpenters, builders, stagecoach drivers or mail carriers. Or they would find a need in town — and fill it. "The early folk were really working people who kept the infrastructure in play so you could get your food and your dry goods," Seavey said.

Carmel people were often flexible about taking on work that might be outside their realm of interest. Artist Mary DeNeale Morgan agreed to serve as the Pine Inn's first manager as a favor to friend J. Franklin Devendorf.

### Fascinating records

Devendorf and his partner Frank Powers were "equal opportunity" businessmen long before most of the country embraced that ideal.

The businessmen's earliest records show that many of the first lots were sold to independent women, explained Sarah Berling, a member of the city's centennial committee.

Berling has been poring over the meeting minutes taken during the first few years of the Carmel Development Company's existence — records that were made available by Devendorf's granddaughter, Jane Galante.

The minutes reveal quite a bit about the way Powers and Devendorf conducted business, she said.

"There was a very cooperative friendly tone," Berling said. "If people couldn't pay,

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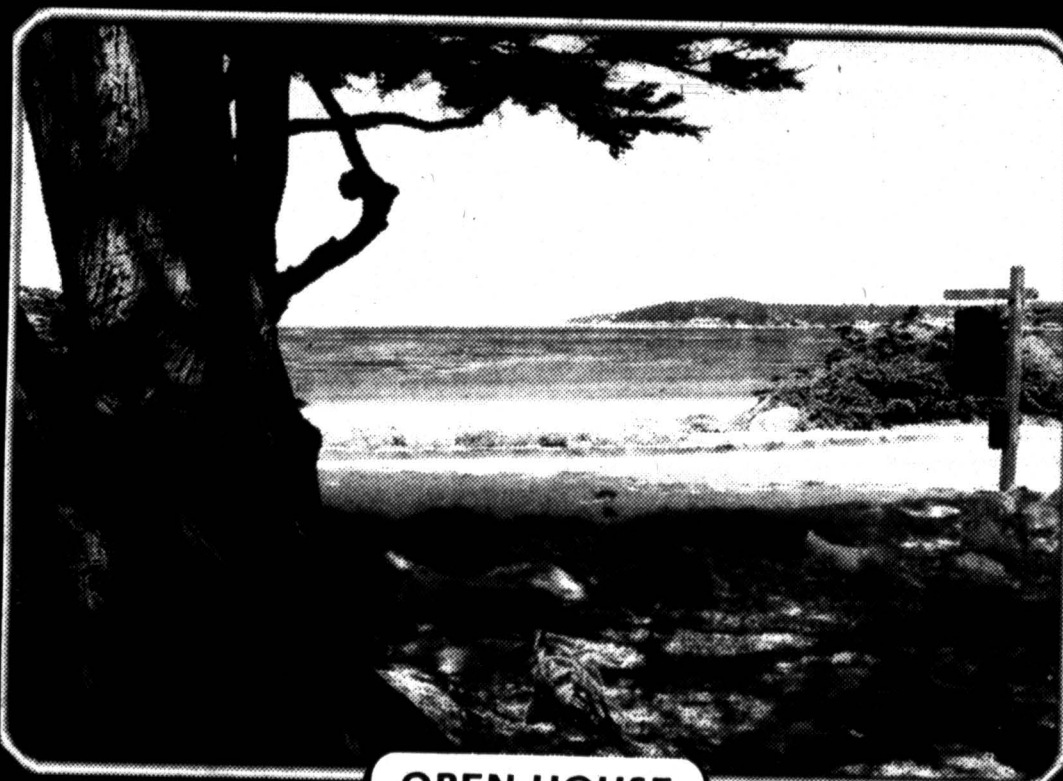
"Ivy Cottage!"

3 BR, 2.5 BA, 2 FP

Close to town & the beach

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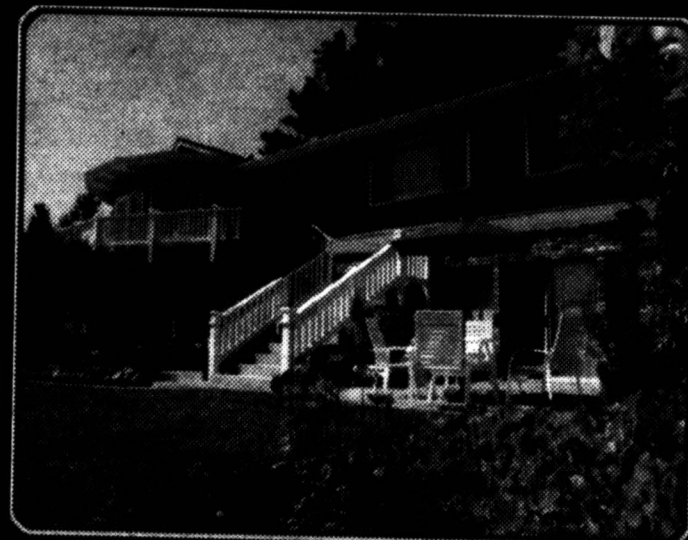
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### "Scenic Road"

With the white sands of Carmel Beach at your doorstep, enjoy stunning ocean and white water views to Pebble Beach, from Carmel-by-the-Sea's finest location at the entrance to Carmel Point. The airy, spacious and light beach house includes 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, and two fireplaces, one of which is double-sided. Recent paint and refinished hardwood floors enable you to enjoy your beach house now, while you gaze at the blue Pacific, and let your mind create the home it will be...

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Ocean at Dolores, Carmel



### Carmel Meadows

"Premier Panoramic Views!"

3 BR, 3 BA, 2 FP

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### Pacific Grove

"Candy Cane Lane Gem!"

3 BR, 2 BA, FP

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they were constantly willing to compromise and make different arrangements."

Sometimes the businessmen wooed prospective residents to town. During one meeting in 1905, Powers reported that the Carmel Development Company granted poet George Sterling a five year lease for land near Torres with the right to buy it after the lease was up, Berling said.

In another entry, Powers sold six lots to photographer Arnold Genthe for the price of \$1,750, with the provision that Genthe "erect an artistic house."

Apparently the photographer kept up his end of the bargain. The Camino Real home he designed in 1905 remains a Carmel classic. Last year, Dana and Vince Vannelli, current owners of the home, were honored by the Carmel Heritage Society for their "sensitive restoration" of the cottage.

Another house that might have caught the attention of passersby in 1903 was John P. Cogle's wooden gable and wing house on San Carlos.

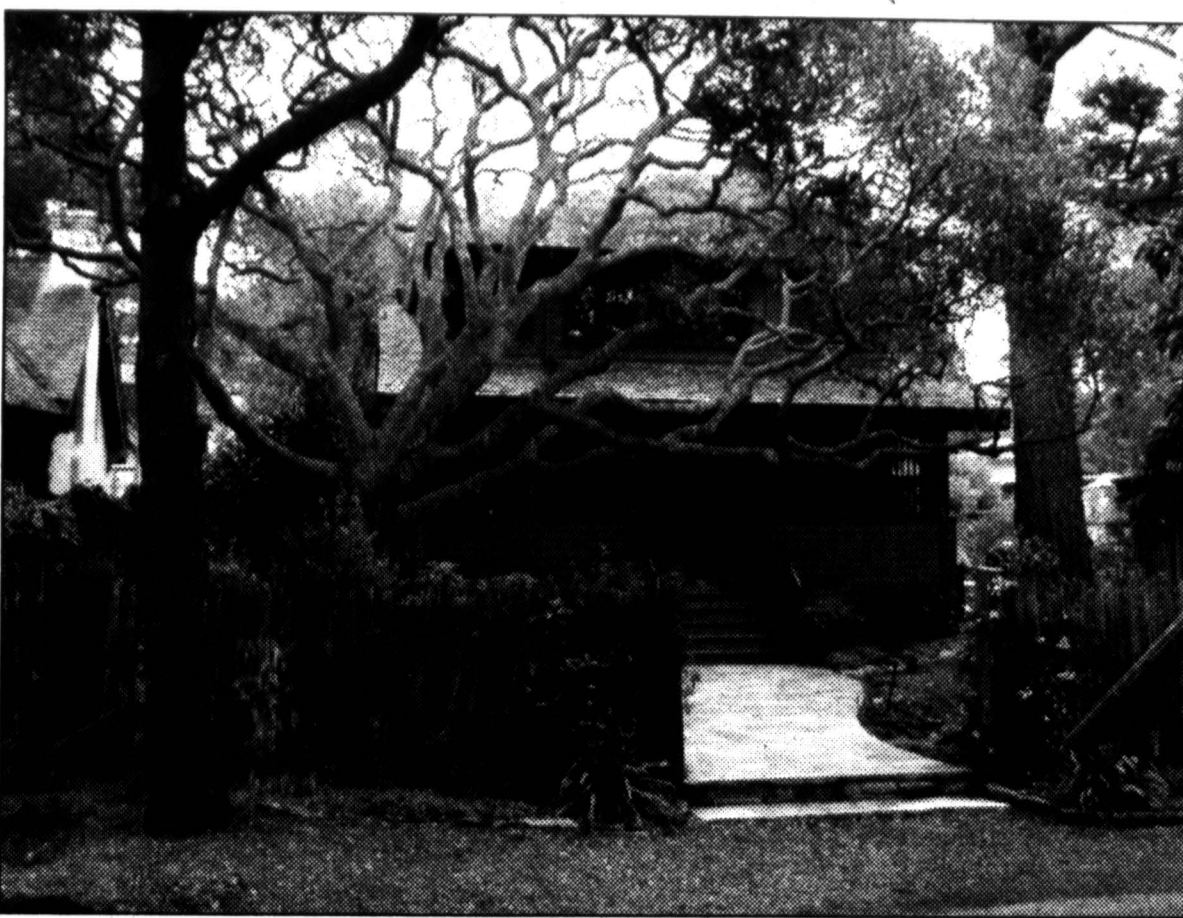
Perhaps a handful of homes in Carmel stood out for their artistry while most of the town's early dwellings were rather modest.

"They were working class houses built from local materials," Seavey said.

Most of Carmel's earliest settlers probably would have to take a bit of a walk to reach their nearest neighbors.

"The houses would have been quite sparse," said Berling. "There weren't more than 70 or 80 houses. It was very rural, casual and low key."

Carmel history buff Kay Prine paints a picture of the early days that's difficult to imagine when strolling by the million



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Photographer Arnold Genthe built this home on Camino Real with tree trunks supporting the sloping roof over a wide front veranda. He promised developer Frank Powers the house would be artistic, thus gaining six lots for \$1,750.

dollar homes of today. "There would have been chickens running loose, horses right by your house, maybe even a cow," Prine said.

Downtown Carmel was similarly unsophisticated. Ocean Avenue was "a dirt road with some false fronted buildings on either side," Seavey said.

Out-of-town travelers low on cash could stay in tents set

up behind the Pine Inn for \$1 to \$3 a week "and just kind of hang," Seavey said.

As Carmel's centennial year comes to a close, it's worth remembering that the people who first came to the village 100 years ago were clearly not on a quest for elegance or high style. Yet they helped Carmel develop a style all its own.

Prine believes the original residents were drawn by the area's stunning natural beauty.

And Carmel surely had its share of free spirits grateful to live in a place where they wouldn't feel confined.

"There were very few wannabes," Seavey said. "All the people here had a reason to be here."



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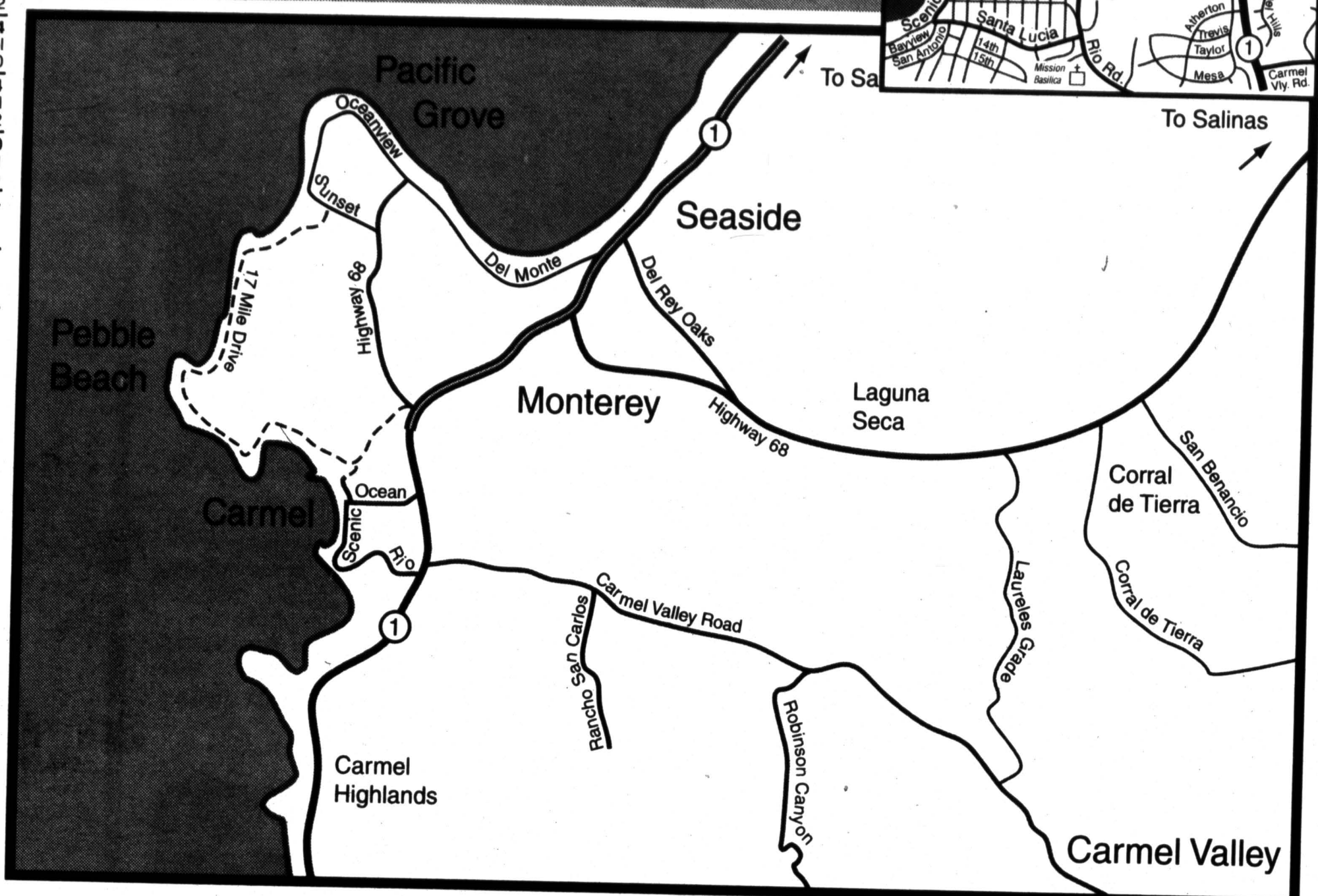
**CARMEL**

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<b>\$999,000</b> 3bd 2ba 3540 Mesa Court Fouratt-Simmons Realty	Su 1:30-3:30 Carmel 624-3829
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<b>\$1,895,000</b> 3bd 3ba Casanova 2SE of Ocean Coldwell Banker Del Monte	Sa Su 1-3 Carmel 626-2222
<b>\$1,988,000</b> 3bd 2.5ba Lincoln 2 SW of 12th The Mitchell Group	Sa Su 2-4 Carmel 624-6482
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<b>\$2,150,000</b> 3bd 3ba 2693 14th Ave (rain cancels) The Mitchell Group	Sa 2-4 Carmel 624-0136
<b>\$2,195,000</b> 3bd 3ba NW Cor of Sta Lucia/Camino Real The Mitchell Group	Sa 1:30-3:30 Carmel 624-6482
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<b>\$3,395,000</b> 3bd 3ba NE Cor Monte Verde & Sta Lucia Alain Pinel Realtors	Sa Su 1-4 Carmel 622-1040
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<b>\$2,895,000</b> 3bd 3.5ba 30778 San Remo Rd Burchell House Properties	Sa Su 1-4 Crmil Highland 624-6461
<b>\$2,250,000</b> 4bd 4ba 129 Carmel Riviera The Mitchell Group	Sa 2:30-4:30 Crmil Highlands 624-0136

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<b>\$2,250,000</b> 4bd 4ba 129 Carmel Riviera The Mitchell Group	Su 12-2 Crmil Highlands 624-0136
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**CARMEL VALLEY**

<b>\$1,090,000</b> 4bd 3ba One Scarlett Rd Coldwell Banker Del Monte	Su 1-3 Carmel Valley 626-2222
<b>\$1,399,000</b> 4bd 3.5ba 9321 Holt Road Alain Pinel Realtors	Sa 1:30-4 Carmel Valley 622-1040
<b>\$1,495,000</b> 3bd 2ba 7076 Valley Greens Cir. John Saar Properties	Su 1-3 Carmel Valley 625-0500

**MONTEREY**

<b>\$1,150,000</b> 4bd 3ba 932 Monterey Circle The Mitchell Group	Sa Su 1-4 Monterey 646-2120
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**MITRY/SALINAS HWY.**

<b>\$695,000</b> 3bd 3ba 14182 Reservation Road The Mitchell Group	Su 1:30-3:30 Mtry/Sins Hwy 659-2267
<b>\$985,000</b> 5bd 3+ba 22210 Tara Ct. Alain Pinel Realtors	Su 1-4 Mtry/Sins Hwy 622-1040
<b>\$2,950,000</b> 4bd 4+ba 108 Via Del Milagro The Mitchell Group	Sa 1:30-3:30 Mtry/Sins Hwy 659-2267

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<b>\$549,000</b> 2bd 1ba 309 Park Street Alain Pinel Realtors	Sa 1-3 Pacific Grove 622-1040
<b>\$725,000</b> 2bd 1ba 310 Carmel Ave Alain Pinel Realtors	Su 12-2 Pacific Grove 622-1040
<b>\$725,000</b> 2bd 1ba 310 Carmel Ave Alain Pinel Realtors	Sa 12-2 Pacific Grove 622-1040
<b>\$725,000</b> 2bd 1ba 975 Lighthouse Alain Pinel Realtors	Sa Su 1-3 Pacific Grove 622-1040

<b>\$760,000</b> 2bd 2ba 607 Carmel Ave Alain Pinel Realtors	Sa Su 2-4 Pacific Grove 622-1040
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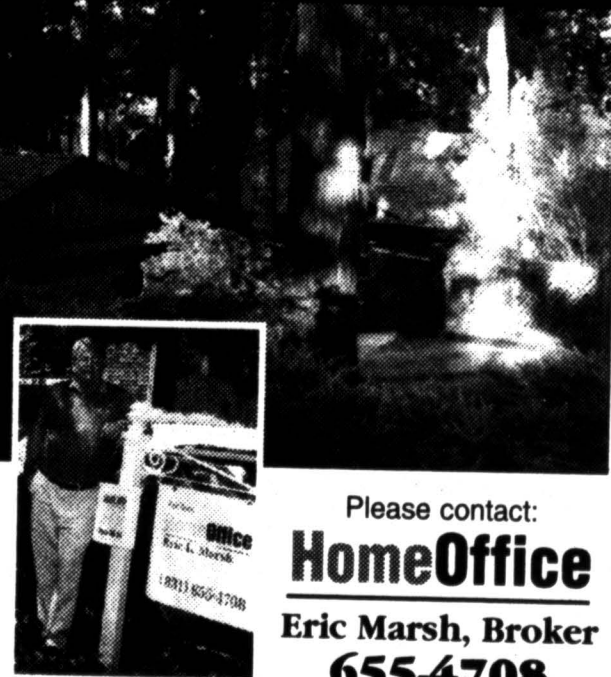
**PEBBLE BEACH**

<b>\$995,000</b> 3bd 2.5ba 3041 Strawberry Hill Rd Coldwell Banker Del Monte	Sa 2-4 Pebble Beach 626-2222
<b>\$1,350,000</b> 4bd 3ba 1093 Herders Rd Coldwell Banker Del Monte	Su 1-3 Pebble Beach 626-2222
<b>\$1,650,000</b> 2 lots 2897 17 Mile Drive The Mitchell Group	Sa Su 12-4 Pebble Beach 646-2120
<b>\$2,450,000</b> 2bd 3ba 1580 Griffin Rd Alain Pinel Realtors	Sa 11-3 Pebble Beach 622-1040
<b>\$3,100,000</b> 6+bd 4+ba 1579 Griffin Road The Mitchell Group	Sa 12-2 Pebble Beach 624-0136
<b>\$3,495,000</b> 4bd 3.5ba 1205 Benbow Alain Pinel Realtors	Su 1-4 Pebble Beach 622-1040
<b>\$3,795,000</b> 4bd 3.5ba 1452 Susan Way Alain Pinel Realtors	Sa 1-4 Su 12-3 Pebble Beach 622-1040

**SEASIDE**

<b>\$595,000</b> 3bd 2ba 515 Francis Ave Coldwell Banker Del Monte	Su 1:30-4 Seaside 626-2222
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## POLICE LOG

From page 4A

at a residence on Los Laureles Grade.

**Carmel Valley:** Civil problem at a Via Mallorca residence.

**Carmel Valley:** Theft of a firearm from a Carmel Valley Road residence.

**Pebble Beach:** Stakeout at a 17 Mile Drive address.

**Carmel area:** Harassing phone calls received by a 14th Avenue resident. Suspect information provided by victim.

**Carmel area:** Check/credit card fraud at a Carmel Center Place business.

**Big Sur:** Female Carmel Valley resident was reported missing by her mother, a Watsonville resident. She was going to the beach to walk her two dogs. The victim's truck was found by her father parked on Highway 1 south of Otter Cove. One dog and the victim's coat were found in the area of the truck, near the water. A search was conducted by the sheriff's office rescue team and a Coast Guard helicopter. There was no sign of the victim.

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Follow-up conducted to gain information on the identity of a dog owner who was the subject of a complaint in a dog incident at Junipero and Sixth in which a subject's dog jumped up and scratched a victim. Business did not know identity of owner but promised to pass along the animal control officer's card if she returns. A follow-up call with another person involved was placed, but could not be completed due to the person being uncooperative.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Gray 2002 Volkswagen parked in the lot at Mountain View and Santa Rita rolled backward into a fence.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** At approximately 1304 hours, a subject exited the post office lobby and was crossing Fifth Avenue when a driver accidentally backed his vehicle into him. The vehicle was reported to be backing slowly. Subject fell to the ground but was uninjured. The driver provided his name to the victim, but no report was desired.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** MCSO requested an outside assist regarding a large pile of dirt dumped in the roadway in front of a Santa Fe residence. Contacted a subject landscaping in the yard and advised him of the complaint. He agreed to remove the dirt. Information passed on to MCSO dispatch.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Realty signs were removed from Ocean and Carpenter, Mountain View and Forest, and Guadalupe and Second.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Female was parking her vehicle in front of her house at 11th and Dolores when she collided with the rear bumper of another vehicle. Fresh damage noted and viewed by both vehicle owners. Female admitted being in a hurry when she parked and accepted responsibility even though she did not realize she struck the rear of the other vehicle when she parked. Both parties exchanged information at the scene.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Philadelphia police assisted in an initial investigation of a credit card fraud that originated in their jurisdiction and involved transaction conducted in Miami Beach, Fla.

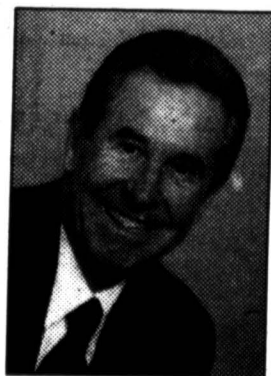
**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Male reported hearing fireworks near his residence at San Antonio and 11th. During investigation, fireworks heard and seen in the beach area near Scenic and 12th. Contacted three subjects who admitted setting off fireworks and apologized. Warrant checks came back clear and the subjects were warned, asked to pick up their trash and leave the beach. No additional fireworks found.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Electrical wires were down in the area of Lincoln and 12th due to a tree limb. Carmel Fire Department was on scene and requested the area be blocked off until the arrival of PG&E.

**Carmel Valley:** Traffic stop at Panetta Road and West Carmel Valley Road.

**Carmel area:** Suspicious circumstances at a Camino Real residence.

See **POLICE LOG** page 8B



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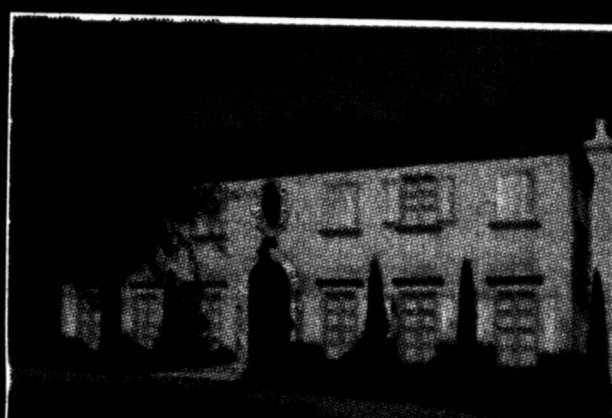


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## POLICE LOG

From page 7B

Carmel Valley: Information taken at a Cachagua Road residence.

Pebble Beach: Theft just occurred at a Lopez Road residence.

Carmel area: Harassing phone calls received at a Walker Avenue residence. Victim supplied suspect information.

Carmel area: Peace disturbance at a Crossroads Boulevard business.

Big Sur: Suspicious circumstances near Pfeiffer Beach at the end of Sycamore Canyon Road.

Pebble Beach: Past-tense malicious mischief to a vehicle parked on Spruance Road.

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female collapsed while standing next to her vehicle at the rear of a real estate office at San Carlos and Fifth. She was treated by CRFA and requested her daughter be contacted. Daughter said a bad knee likely caused the fall. Female transported to CHOMP to be treated for her injuries.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a large pine tree leaning over a residence on Santa Fe near

Fourth. Officer checked tree at that location and there did not appear to be any fresh damage but it was leaning over the garage portion of the residence. Officer advised neighbor that he would contact Forestry Department. It did not appear to be a city tree, however.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Neighbor called in an audible alarm from a home on Monte Verde near Fourth. Residence checked and the garage door was open. Nothing appeared unusual or tampered with. The door was secured.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Dispatch received a 911 hang-up which appeared to be from a home on Casanova near Ocean. The line was busy upon callback. The phone company attempted to interrupt but met with negative results. Officers arrived at location and found resident to be home.

Carmel Valley: Disabled vehicle blocking the roadway.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Noise complaint on Monte Verde near Eighth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Dog reported barking continuously on Dolores near Second. On arrival, officer could hear dog barking from a yard. Contact made with two neighbors who provided owner's info. Contact made with owner by phone, who returned home and took care of the problem with the dog, which was staying at her home temporarily. Warning given. No further action needed.

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20032453. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **STONE RESTORATIONS**, 243 17 Mile Dr., Pacific Grove, CA 93950. **PETER IGNACIO TURTURICI**, 243 17 Mile Dr., Pacific Grove, CA 93950. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Oct. 20, 2003. (s) Peter Turturici. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 5, 2003. Publication dates: Dec. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2003. (PC 1205)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20032460. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **1. FLOORING CITY**, 52 Golf Club Rd., Pleasant Hill, CA 94523. **FLOORING FASHION CORPORATION**, 52 Golf Club Rd., Pleasant Hill, CA 94523. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: May 23, 2001. (s) X Exec. Vice President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 6, 2003. Publication dates: Dec. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2003. (PC 1206)

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ment was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 2, 2003. Publication dates: Dec. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2003. (PC 1207)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20032532. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **BRADLEY PHOTOGRAPHIC**, 1188 Caledonia, Pacific Grove, CA 93950. **JASON BRADLEY**, 1188 Caledonia, Pacific Grove, CA 93950. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Nov. 17, 2003. (s) Jason Bradley. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 17, 2003. Publication dates: Dec. 12, 19, 26, 2003 and Jan. 2, 2004. (PC 1208)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20032633. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **TISKET A TASKET**, 32 La Rancheria, Carmel Valley, CA 93924. **LINDA ANN OLIVIER**, 49 Village Drive, Carmel Valley, CA 93924. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Dec. 1, 2003. (s) Linda Ann Olivier. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 2, 2003. Publication dates: Dec. 12, 19, 26, 2003, and Jan. 2, 2004. (PC 1209)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20032631. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **WHITE BARN VINEYARDS**, 31 Wawona, Carmel Valley, CA 93924. **DAVID ASKEW**, 31 Wawona, Carmel Valley, CA 93924. **MICHAEL BURKE**, 25050 Baronet Rd., Salinas, CA 93908. This business is conducted by a general partnership. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Nov. 1, 2003. (s) David Askew; General Partner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 2, 2003. Publication dates: Dec. 12, 19, 26, 2003, and Jan. 2, 2004. (PC 1210)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20032441. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **1. RANCHO SIN FRENOS**, 72 Fern Canyon Road, Carmel Highlands, CA 93923. **RANCHO SIN**

**FRENOS, LLC**, 72 Fern Canyon Road, Carmel Highlands, CA 93923. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: N/A. (s) Alan A. Silvestri, Managing Member. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 3, 2003. Publication dates: Dec. 12, 19, 26, 2003, and Jan. 2, 2004. (PC 1211)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20032507. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **FIGUEROA LANDSCAPING**, 2042 Santa Rita St., Salinas, CA 93906. **SANDI ALIDA LAYTON**, 2042 Santa Rita St., Salinas, CA 93906. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Nov. 1, 2003. (s) Sandi Layton. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 13, 2003. Publication dates: Dec. 19, 26, 2003, and Jan. 2, 2004. (PC 1212)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20032683. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **C. RUTLAND BUILDWORKS**, 37791 Palo Colorado Rd., Carmel, CA 93923. **JULIAN CHRISTOPHER RUTLAND WEBSTER**, 37791 Palo Colorado Rd., Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Dec. 4, 2003. (s) Julian C. R. Webster. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 9, 2003. Publication dates: Dec. 19, 26, 2003, and Jan. 2, 2004. (PC 1213)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20032617. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **INTEGRITY WOODWORKS**, 193 Vega Road, Royal Oaks, CA 95076. **DAVID J. ALBERT**, 193 Vega Road, Royal Oaks, CA 95076. **KARIN ALBERT**, 193 Vega Road, Royal Oaks, CA 95076. This business is conducted by a husband and wife. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Dec. 1, 2003. (s) David J. Albert. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 1, 2003. Publication dates: Dec. 19, 26, 2003, and Jan. 2, 2004. (PC 1214)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20032603. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **HAVENS APPRAISALS**, Mission St., 3 NW of 8th Ave., Carmel, CA 93921. **NANCY HAVENS**, 9 Los Encinos, Del Rey Oaks, CA 93940. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: Dec. 3, 2003. (s) Nancy Havens. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 25, 2003. Publication dates: Dec. 19, 26, 2003, and Jan. 2, 10, 2004. (PC 1215)

**STATEMENT OF WITHDRAWAL FROM PARTNERSHIP OPERATING UNDER FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME** File No. 20022027. The following persons: **NANCY HAVENS** has withdrawn as a general partner from the partnership operating under the fictitious business name of **BARNES & HAVENS APPRAISAL** at Mission St., 3 NW of 8th Ave., Carmel, CA 93921. The fictitious business name statement for the partnership was filed on 10/02 in the County of Monterey. The full name and residence of the person withdrawing as a partner: **NANCY HAVENS**, 9 Los Encinos, Del Rey Oaks, CA 93940. (s) Nancy Havens. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 25, 2003. Publication dates: Dec. 19, 26, 2003, and Jan. 2, 9, 2004. (PC 1216)

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING  
AMENDING THE FINAL  
BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR  
2003/2004

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on Wednesday, January 14, 2004 at 12:30 p.m. the Carmel Highlands Fire protection District Board of Directors will meet at the District's fire station located at 73 Fern Canyon Road, Carmel to consider adoption of an amended final budget for fiscal year 2003-2004 that ends on June 30, 2004.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the final budget was adopted September 10, 2003 and is available for inspection at the District's fire station located at 73 Fern Canyon Road, Carmel between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN**, that any district resident may appear and be heard regarding the increase, decrease, or omission of any item on the budget or for the inclusion of any additional items.

**DATED: December 18, 2003**  
(s) Gayle Sheppard,  
Secretary of the Board  
Publication dates: Dec. 26, 2003  
and Jan. 2, 2004. (PC 1218)

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR  
CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP OF  
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE.

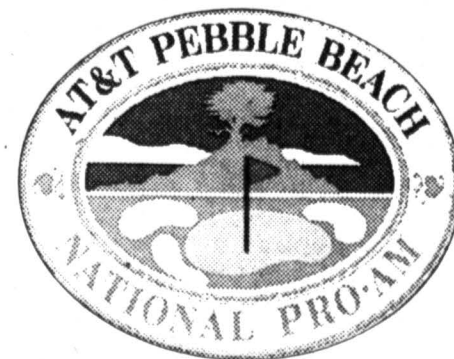
Date of Filing Application: Dec. 18, 2003  
To Whom It May Concern:  
The Name of the Applicant is: **RODRIGUEZ SALAZAR FELIPE**  
The applicant listed above is applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at: **3 DELFINO PLACE, CARMEL VALLEY, CA 93925**  
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Publication dates: Dec. 26, 2003 (PC 1219)

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## POLICE LOG

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**Carmel area:** Past-tense theft from a Rio Road residence.

**Carmel area:** Domestic disturbance at Carmel Rancho Center.

**Carmel Valley:** Information taken at a Cachagua Road residence.

**Carmel area:** Theft from a Via Mar Monte residence.

**Carmel area:** Harassing phone calls received at a Highway 1 residence.

**Pebble Beach:** Information taken at a Sunset Lane residence.

**Carmel Valley:** Public assistance rendered on Carmel Valley Road.

**Pebble Beach:** Past-tense theft from a Matador Road residence.

**Pebble Beach:** Medical emergency on Stevenson Drive.

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 15

**Carmel area:** Home invasion reported at a Rio Vista Drive residence, but the incident was really a burglary. Residents heard a door close and went to investigate. Computers had been stolen from an office in the home. Entry gained via unlocked door to the outside. No signs of the suspect.

**Carmel area:** Past-tense burglary of a vehicle at a Hacienda Place residence.

**Carmel area:** Past-tense burglary of a vehicle parked at a Rio Vista Drive residence.

**Carmel Valley:** Past-tense burglary of a

church at Carmel Valley Road and Schulte Road. Petty cash totaling \$150 was taken from a locked file cabinet. Entry forced through two doors.

**Carmel Valley:** Public assistance rendered on El Caminito Road.

**Carmel area:** Health & Safety Code violation at a North Carmel Hills Drive residence.

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Officers responded along with Carmel Fire to report of a trash can fire on Casanova. Trash can located under a kitchen sink. The fire was extinguished prior to officers' arrival. Resident threw some candles in trash can before going to bed. She thought the candles were completely out. She was then awakened by smoke detector. The fire caused minor damage to the cabinet under the sink. The woman reported her dog missing after the incident. The dog had left the house during the incident. Checked neighborhood for dog with negative results. Info forwarded to animal control officer Mitchell.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Complaint on Mission near Third that a neighbor's TV was too loud. Neighbor apologized and agreed to turn it down.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Resident called station to say she was concerned about her son because he had left home that morning to return to college in Northern California but had not arrived at the location. Officer called and left a message on son's cell phone and left

message asking him to call the department, which he did. He said he did not want his mother to know his location but he would call and let her know he was fine. Asked him to provide his date of birth and college address and he had no problem doing so. Officer called mother to advise son just wanted some time to himself and think about his college situation and asked them both to call if department could provide any further assistance.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Business owner on Lincoln reported that sometime during business hours some unknown person stole a 12" tall table clock from the front display window. The clock was described as a "gear clock" and

valued at \$75. Owner had no idea who or exactly when the clock was taken. He just wanted department advised of the loss.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** \$220 in currency and clothing reported taken from an unlocked Jaguar parked in a garage on San Antonio while its owners were inside their house sleeping.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Petty theft from and vandalism of a car parked on Guadalupe near Fifth.

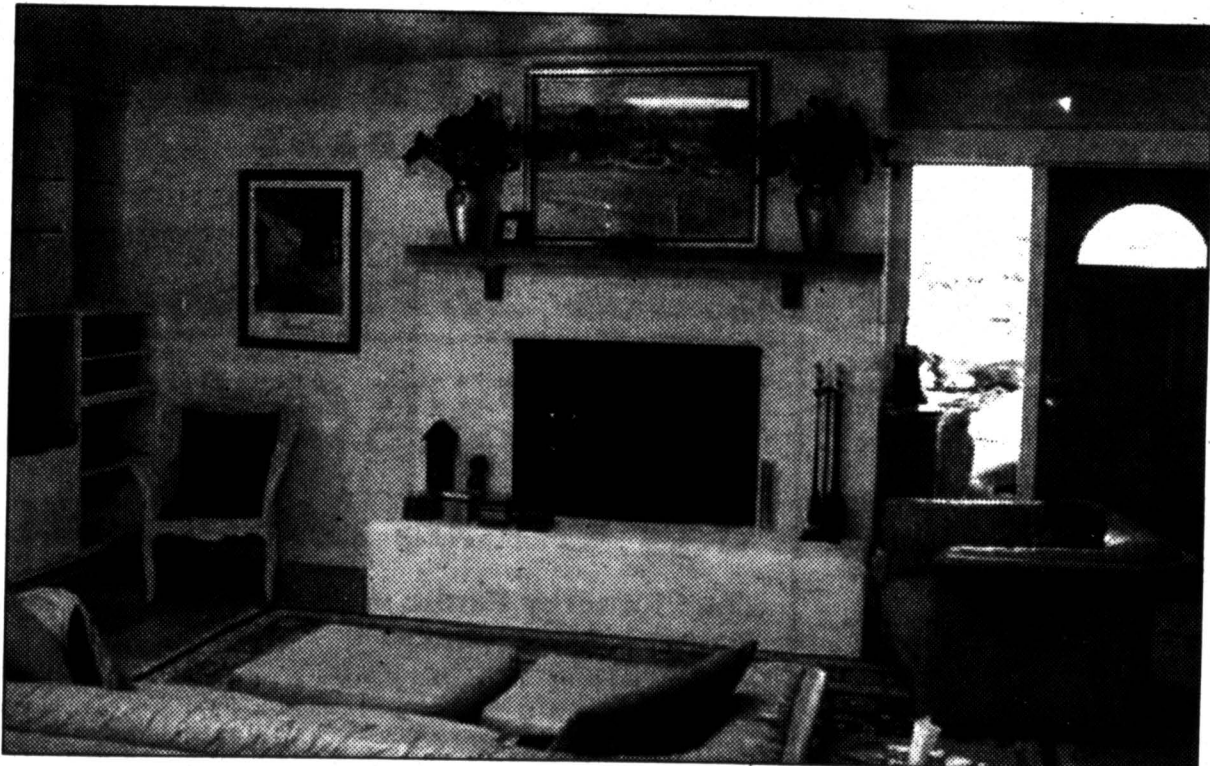
**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** \$3,350 worth of TV/stereo equipment and miscellaneous items stolen from a vehicle on Crespi near Mountain

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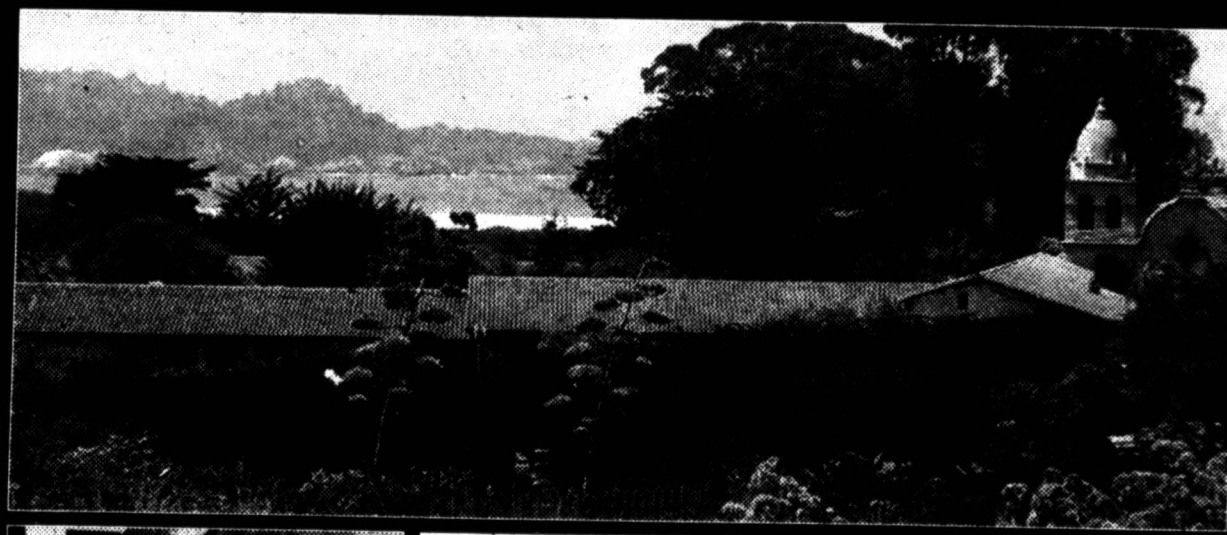
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**Carmel area:** Assisted another agency at a Carmel Knolls Drive residence. Medical emergency.

**Carmel area:** Suspicious person at a Morse Drive residence.

**Carmel area:** Burglary of a vehicle parked at a Via Mar Monte residence. Suspect smashed the window of a locked vehicle parked in a carport and stole a briefcase.

**Carmel Valley:** Assisted child protective services at a Vista Ladera residence. Report may be unfounded.

**Big Sur:** Assault with a deadly weapon near the village shops. Two transient subjects with ongoing disputes were involved. One alleged the other attempted to strike him with his vehicle as he was walking along Highway 1.

**Carmel area:** Assisted a citizen at the Crossroads Shopping Village.

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Resident on San Carlos advised a black Volvo station wagon was blocking his residential driveway. He felt the owner was at Sunset Center attending a function. Officer went to Sunset and was able to locate owner by paging him. He said he didn't realize he had blocked a driveway and quickly moved his car. Made contact with resident and suggested he contact streets department to see if they could spray paint "T" marks on the street in front of his residence to prevent this happening again.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** At 9:38 p.m., peace disturbance on Junipero. Officer responded to a verbal disturbance involving a man and his wife at an inn. Met with man outside his hotel room. He said he and his wife had been arguing and that she was drunk. He had left the room briefly and when he came back she refused to let him in. Officer attempted to contact woman by announcing himself and knocking on the door and window. She refused to let officer in by not answering. Attempted to open the door with a key but she had locked the door with dead bolt so officer was unable to gain entry. He continued to ask woman to open the door, then called on the telephone from the

office. After numerous rings she answered and said she was upset and wanted to be left alone. Officer told her that her husband was going to stay at another hotel and asked if she minded opening the door so he could check on her welfare. She said she was glad her husband was leaving and told officer to leave her alone and hung up. He could see through window of her room that she appeared to be OK. Husband agreed to leave and found another hotel room for the night.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Police, fire and ambulance responded to lower level of Carmel Plaza after report that an 18-month-old male child had fallen and sustained a laceration to his lower mouth and chin area. Upon arrival, woman was contacted as she held the child and advised that while inside a store the boy stood on his stroller while facing backward and fell on his face. The carpet inside the store softened the fall, however his teeth drove through the skin area just below the lip causing a through-and-through laceration. Transported to CHOMP via ambulance for further medical treatment.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Alarm activation on San Antonio near Eighth. Nothing unusual noted.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** While on patrol on Scenic Road, officer observed a male jump over a fence into a private yard. He was contacted and said he was merely trying to see the incoming waves as his friend surfed at Stewart's Cove. He was interviewed and released after obtaining his information.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A man came into the station to report an incident he had with a group of women at the beach. He reported a disagreement he and the women had over the conduct of their dogs. Prior to his contact at the station, a woman called with a complaint about a man matching his description. They were advised of ordinance for the beach area and advised of possible solutions. Later, another woman called in regards to the incident. She was present during the incident and advised of her concerns.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Attempted to contact resident on Monte Verde about an unsecured trash can on city property. Photos were taken of the trash around the receptacle. Second warning.

**Pebble Beach:** Malicious mischief at a Congress Road residence.

**Carmel Valley:** Past-tense peace disturbance at a Village Drive residence.

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Man reported hearing strange noises from the phone company's enclosed parking lot on Junipero. His dog began barking and an unknown person jumped the back fence, ran behind an apartment and headed eastbound through a parking garage. The premises and surrounding neighborhood were checked but nothing appeared missing and the building was secure. Area check with negative results.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** While conducting an area check for a suspicious person at 11:30 p.m., officer noted a door open at the Scout House. Everything appeared normal after a thorough search of the inside and outside perimeter. Door secured.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Burglar alarm from a shop on Ocean. The alarm was apparently coming from the cash register, but everything appeared secure after an outside check of the premises. The alarm would not reset and the alarm company did not have a responsible party available to respond.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** On Santa Fee, report of the theft of a fully grown plant which was planted in a turquoise round 14-inch glazed pot from the front yard of a residence at this location. No suspects. Value approximately \$40.

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a civil dispute on Eighth between Mission and Junipero. Incident involves a tenant who parks his vehicle in the driveway behind the Scout House. The dispute is over dirt getting on his vehicle from excavation at the adjacent property. Assistant city administrator said the driveway is on city property and the property deed permits garbage access but not parking. Complainant directed to talk to city attorney.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** At 9 a.m., report of an unwanted guest at Flanders Mansion. Woman said she had no problem leaving but needed to wait because she still felt tired and under the influence because she and another person had been up until 5 a.m. drinking and smoking marijuana. Officers could not detect any odor of alcohol on her breath. One officer suggested he drive her vehicle off the property and she could rest until she felt sober enough to drive. He drove her vehicle and other officer drove woman to the vehicle where she could rest undis-

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## POLICE LOG

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**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** In downtown, man reported losing his blue plastic checkbook, \$30 in cash, an Albertson's card and a PGA membership card. He will notify Washington Mutual of his missing checks.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Domestic violence reported on Lincoln. An intoxicated man struck a woman, inflicting injury.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Vehicle cited and towed after being found completely blocking a driveway on San Carlos.

SATURDAY,  
DECEMBER 20

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a man almost struck by a vehicle while crossing Highway 1 at Ocean Avenue. Although sheriff was notified, because of possible delay in sheriff's response time, Carmel PD responded. Man was found to be lacking suitable clothing for inclement weather and was given a courtesy transport home where he was left with a responsible person.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Hit and run on Torres. Man heard a loud crash outside his residence, ran outside and saw the suspect vehicle back up from the bumper area of a Ford F-230. The vehicle then sped off northbound on Torres toward Second. Man described suspect vehicle as a light blue or white station wagon with square windows in the back. The impact left a four-inch white/blue paint transfer and a dent on Ford's left rear bumper. The damage was minimal and man did not

wish to file a report. A BOL was put out and an area check conducted with negative results.

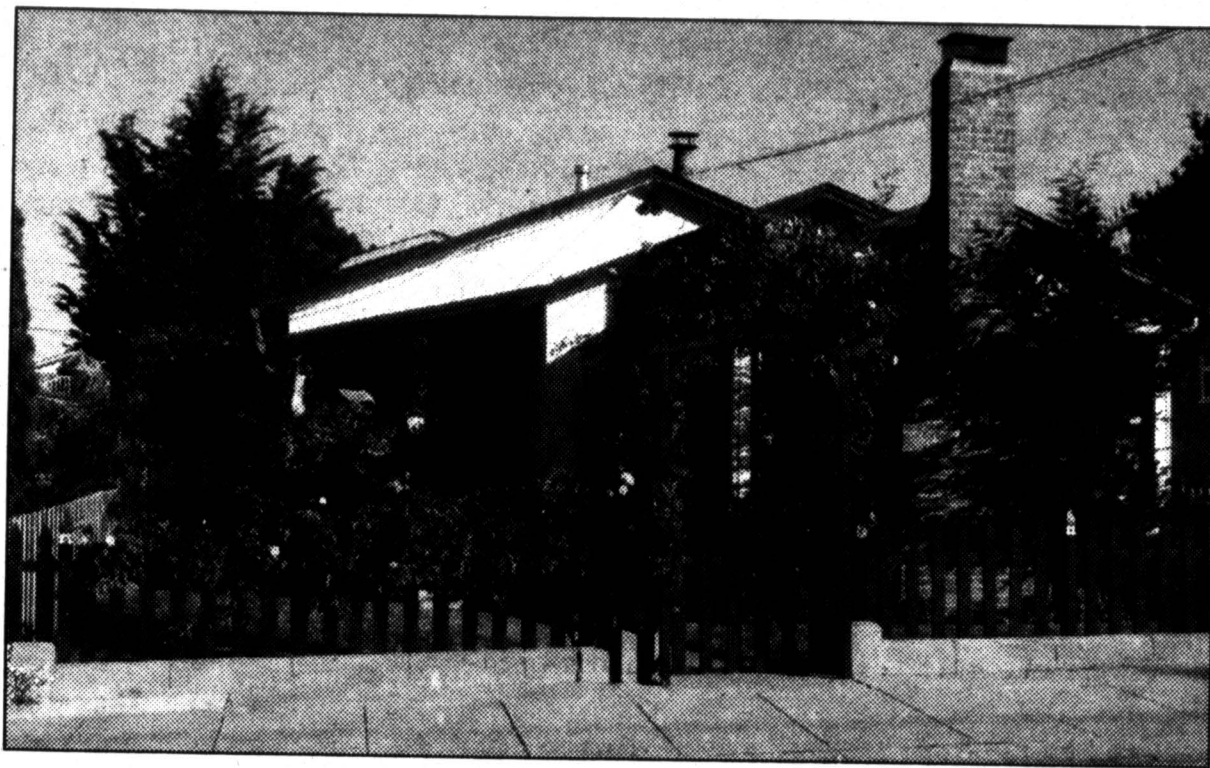
**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** At 12:36 a.m., guest at an inn on San Antonio complained about noise coming from a party at an adjacent private residence. Contacted resident who turned off music immediately. Contacted guest and told him the party was over and the partygoers would be leaving.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Alarm again from cash register at business on Ocean.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Two males and one female observed shopping in the men's clothing section of a department store. Employee recognized them as the same suspects who were involved in the theft of Armani suits reported on Nov. 30. Employee believes they are the same suspects involved in the theft of three Martin Richard coats the previous Saturday which was not reported to the police. Nothing was taken this day and the suspects immediately left after being recognized. He said they were captured

on the store's video security system which can be downloaded. He described them as of European descent, a man in his 50s, 5-11, short black hair with gray sides and a mustache approximately 260 pounds wearing a gray or black Members Only jacket. The second man was in his 60s, 5-8, 220 pounds, gray hair, carrying a large Gap bag. The third was a female in her 40s with shoulder-length dark hair and wearing a black jacket.

## HOUSE OF THE WEEK



### Walk to Beach & Town

Absolutely charming 2 bedroom, 1 bath approximately 1,200 sq. ft. home in the desirable Monterey Oak Grove neighborhood. The minute you walk through the picket gate and into the beautifully landscaped yard you know you've come to a home that has been lovingly cared for, not to speak of the numerous designer touches throughout. Old world plaster walls with bull nosed corners and hardwood floors throughout, plaster fireplace in the living room and a kitchen designed for (and by) chefs with a 6 burner Dacor cook top and two ovens. Single detached garage and a beautiful back fenced yard with hot tub makes it difficult to ever leave home - even if it is only blocks to the beach!

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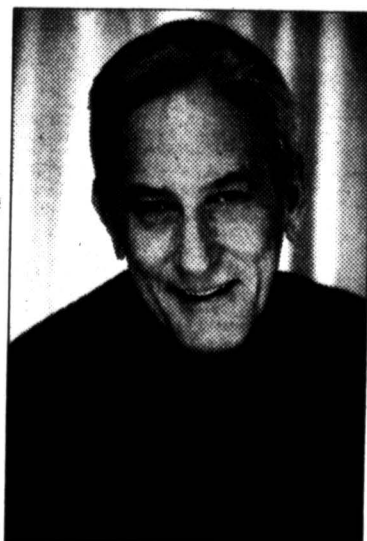


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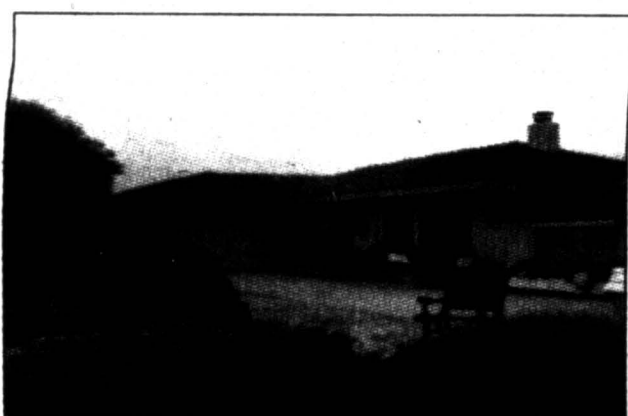
**DISCOVER THE PLEASURES!** This 3900+ sq. ft., 3-bedroom, 3-1/2-bath Spanish-style home set on an two acres is "picture perfect." Offering a new kitchen with Corian counters and lovely cherry-wood cabinets. Master suite with serene views and adjoining study. \$1,475,000.

### CARMEL



**DRAMA & PRIVACY!** An artist's delight. With beautiful canyon views, this 3-bedroom, (one with separate entry) 3-bath home has wonderful sunny decks off the living room and master bedrooms, with walls of glass. Great for entertaining. Plus a cute guest-house. \$899,000.

**CONDOMINIUM DELIGHT!** Quiet greenbelt views greet you from your floor-to-ceiling windows in all the main living areas. Two roomy bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, high ceilings, updated lighting, and a wonderful gallery entry. Convenient double-car garage. \$595,000.



**CARMEL MEADOWS DELIGHT!** Sweeping views of the Santa Lucia Mountains and the artichoke fields below. Impeccably kept, this charming home has 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, deck, updated kitchen, decks, and flower-filled front patio. A home to enjoy! \$1,150,000.

**HATTON FIELDS JEWEL!** Fabulous "like new" home is a Russ Campbell re-do that's picture perfect. State-of-the-art kitchen and French doors leading to a lovely back yard patio. Very spacious 2-bedroom, 2-bath home with quality touches in every room. \$1,195,000.

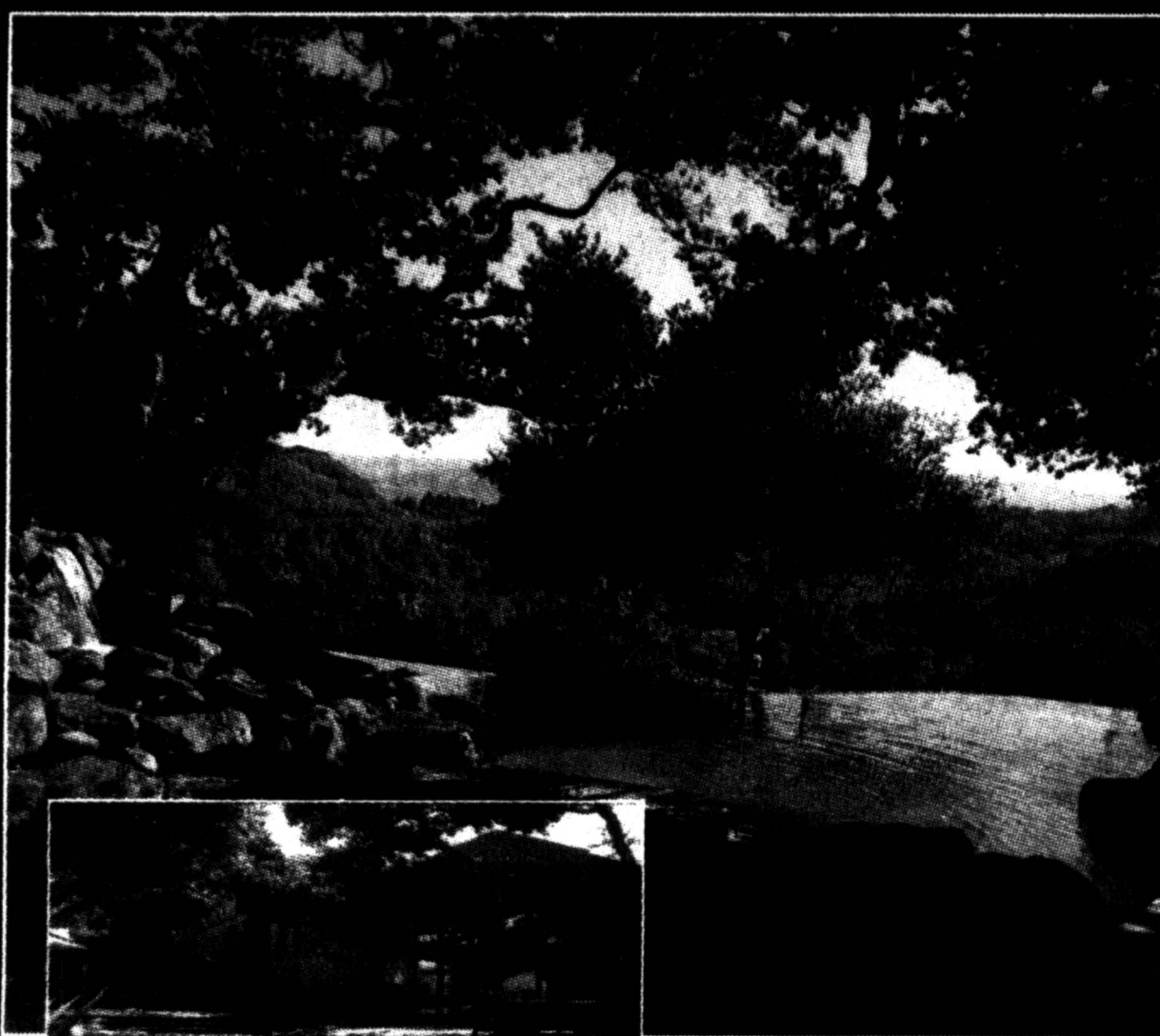


**"CAPE COD" BY-THE-SEA!** Peaks of the sea and the sound of the surf await you from this wonderfully remodeled 3-bedroom, 3-bath Cape Cod-style home in Carmel's coveted "South-of-Ocean-Avenue" neighborhood, where walks to town are a way of life. \$1,895,000.

**A SPIRIT OF HARMONY!** On a hidden lane a short stroll to the beach and village is this newly renovated, 3-bedroom, 2-bath, craftsman-style cottage with views over oaks to the sea beyond. French doors from both the master bedroom and dining room lead to a sunny deck. \$2,195,000.

## Carmel Valley ...

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## Hidden Oasis

Just minutes from Carmel with the warmth of Valley sunshine you'll find 12+ oak-studded acres of privacy and tranquility. A dramatically designed contemporary home showcases breathtaking vistas and abundant natural light. The master bedroom suite with vaulted ceilings, fireplace, double shower and sunken spa tub overlooks the views and the infinity pool. Two other bedroom suites, an artist studio and a 2-bedroom guesthouse complete this hidden oasis. \$3,900,000.



**MISSION HOUSE!** This spacious 3-bedroom with guesthouse and 4-1/2 baths is a fabulously crafted state-of-the-art Tescher & Levett Mediterranean villa. Located on a sun-filled lot, it enjoys views of Point Lobos, the Santa Lucia Mountains and the Carmel Mission. \$3,750,000.

### MONTEREY

**RESORT LIVING - MODEST PRICE!** Three bedroom, 2-1/2-bath town home with amenities of a grand estate. Move-in condition with new carpet, fresh paint, and oversized deck. Swimming pool, tennis court, steam sauna, indoor Jacuzzi & clubhouse are nearby. \$559,000.

**SUNBELT BEAUTY!** Enjoy gorgeous sunsets over nearby mountains from the deck of this Bay Ridge-area home. Located on two acres of pine and oak woods, with views to the ocean, the mountains and the nearby Pasadera Country Club golf course, and Monterey city lights in the distance. Well designed and constructed, this 4400 square foot home offers 3 bedrooms, separate dining and living rooms, a large office, a studio with separate entrance and a three-car garage. \$1,185,000.

### CARMEL VALLEY

**VILLAGE GREEN!** Enjoy a carefree lifestyle at this newly remodeled, 2-bedroom, 2-new bath townhome in Carmel Valley Village! Featuring a new kitchen with granite countertops, new wood floors in the living and dining rooms, loft office, and two-car garage. \$785,000.

**VIEWS ABOUND!** This light and airy one-story home is in pristine condition. Located in sunny Mid-Valley with a private master suite plus 2 bedrooms and 1 bath, and an office. There are expansive decks both front and rear with great views of the Santa Lucia Mountains. \$849,000.



**UNDER THE MID-VALLEY SUN!** Up a country lane lies this private one-of-a-kind Mediterranean home on 1.2 acres. Featuring panoramic valley views, it offers 1930's charm with modern amenities, 3 bedrooms, 4 baths, guesthouse, caretakers' quarters, & pool. \$1,795,000.

### PEBBLE BEACH



**PARTY PERFECT!** Perfectly suited to entertaining, this 3-bedroom, 2-bath home with an open floor plan. The family room has ocean views. Double-glass doors open to inviting outdoor spaces with river-rock lined paths and stream bed, lawn, patio and garden. \$1,795,000.

**QUIET NEIGHBORHOOD!** This impeccably maintained 3-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath home is on an oak-studded lot well-located near MPCC. The large living room with cathedral ceilings and fireplace offers a relaxing gathering area. Property is fully fenced and level. \$900,000.

**SPANISH BAY & OCEAN VIEWS!** This gorgeous Spanish Bay Residence features a connoisseur's kitchen & breakfast/family room area. The stunning dining room with wet bar has floor-to-ceiling windows. Three-bedroom, 3-1/2-bath sophisticated town home. \$2,890,000.



**OCEAN & FAIRWAY SCENES!** Views to the ocean are seen from this pleasant home fronting the 15th fairway of MPCC's Shore Course. Offering 3 bedrooms, 3-1/2 baths, den, sun room, and separate dining room. Build or remodel your Pebble Beach dream! \$2,750,000.

**OASIS ABOVE THE LODGE!** Centrally located between Pebble Beach, and Spyglass Golf Courses is this almost 5000 sq. ft. elegant home on .75 acre. With a large foyer, 2 ground floor master suites, private guest quarters with a total 3-full & 2-half baths. \$2,895,000.



**"CYPRESS MANORI!"** Near the headlands of Cypress Point is the gated site of this Country English estate on 1.25 acres. Features cathedral & beamed ceilings, 4 bedrooms, 6 full & 2 half baths plus maid's quarters, and 2-bedroom, guesthouse. \$8,250,000.

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